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Police tell Simon: 'More money needed in drug war'

By Susan Dragich
Staff writer

EDWARDSVILLE — Law enforcement officials throughout Madison County had something to say to U.S. Sen. Paul Simon when they met with him Monday morning at the courthouse.

They want to see federal drug enforcement monies filtering down to local agencies. After all, the authorities noted, they are the ones fighting drug problems on the front lines.

Simon, who is seeking re-election to the Senate in November, agreed that local police

departments are indeed the front line and should be at the receiving end of funding.

He said he will take the suggestions back to the Senate.

"It seems like all the monies made available for drug enforcement programs never filter down to the sheriffs or local chiefs of police," Madison County Sheriff Bob Church said. "The money gets lost in a bureaucracy somewhere down the line and we never see it."

"We give block grants to the states for drug enforcement programs but it looks like they may have to be modified so the money

does reach you locally," Simon said.

Simon is set to chair a congressional hearing in Chicago today (Wednesday) concerning crack cocaine in Illinois.

"Crack cocaine has not entered Illinois like it has New York or California, but law enforcement intelligence continues to reveal that trafficking in crack cocaine is flourishing along rural transportation routes throughout the state," he said.

Simon is a member of the Senate Judiciary Committee, which oversees U.S. law enforcement and drug programs.

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McKinley toll theft suspected (again)

By Andy Siering
Staff writer

VENICE — For the second time in six months, a McKinley Bridge toll taker (not the same one) is suspected of stealing bridge receipts.

The City Council's bridge committee met Monday night in special session to consider what to do about a toll taker who had allegedly been pocketing 50-cent cash tolls and substituting cancelled toll tickets in place of the cash.

Last fall, a different toll taker was given a 30-day suspension and allowed to keep his job after allegedly stealing bridge receipts. All city employees were then required to sign a document saying they understood that theft would no longer be tolerated and any future thefts would be met with firing and prosecution.

Bridge Manager Tom Fields declined to comment on what he called "personnel matters." Asked if there had been suspected thefts, he wouldn't say. Asked in there was not an investigation, he said, "I didn't say that either."

But Alderman John Ervin, a member of the Bridge Committee, confirmed that there had been some allegations of theft.

"We heard some allegations and the chairman called a meeting to see what's going on so we can report to the council."

Alderman George Lewis is the chairman of the bridge committee. The third member is Henry Fletcher. Lewis would neither confirm or deny Tuesday whether the Bridge Committee met Monday. Fletcher confirmed the meeting took place, but said theft was not discussed. He said, however, there will be a meeting before the City Council meeting tonight.

Reviews and previews

Wilson Park to hold egg hunt

The Granite City Park District will hold its annual Easter egg hunt Saturday at the Wilson Park Ice Rink. Each child must bring his own container. Six prizes will be awarded in each group. The district asks that children not arrive more than a few minutes before the scheduled times: 9 a.m., first grade; 9:30 a.m., kindergarten; and 10 a.m., preschool children.

Women of Achievement awards set

Who are this year's additions to the illustrious list of St. Louis Women of Achievement? In the April 18 edition of the *Suburban Journals* the names of 10 extraordinary community leaders will be announced. Their names will be added to the list of 341 women who have been honored since the program began in 1955. Women of Achievement is sponsored by the *Suburban Journals*, the *St. Louis Sun* and KMOX Radio.

Last day set for tax help

Thursday will mark the final session of free tax assistance available at the Granite City Branch Library, 2145 Johnson Road, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. The help is provided through the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program and is intended to aid those with low incomes, people with disabilities and senior citizens.

50 years ago

Thursday, April 11, 1940

Warm weather and hot races combined for a record turnout in the primary election. An estimated 12,200 votes, 7,900 Democratic and 4,300 Republican, were cast in Granite City, Nameoki and Venice townships.

Tip of the hat

Outstanding example

Vicki L. Johnson of Granite City received the Young Alumni Merit Award from Southeast Missouri State University at a dinner Sunday. Johnson is the national director of design with Aaron Rents Inc. of Atlanta. Johnson received the Outstanding Alumni Award from Southeast's department of home economics. She is a graduate of Granite City South High School and is the daughter of Lowell and Leona Johnson of Granite City.



Vicki L. Johnson

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Steelworkers here still out on strike

By Andy Siering
Staff writer

GRANITE CITY — Labor negotiations between American Steel Foundries and 211 steelworkers are still stalemated in the 11-day-old strike, union and management officials said Monday.

Local 1063 of the United Steelworkers of America went on strike April 1 after rejecting a contract offer that called for concessions in health insurance. Steelworkers at the company's other three plants, located in

Indiana and Ohio, are also on strike.

Under the contract offered by the company, union workers and retirees would have to share increases in the cost of insurance, adjusted according to the government's consumer price index. Workers and retirees would also have higher minimum deductibles and out-of-pocket expenses.

The company wants workers and retirees to pay 30 percent of the premium, up from 20 percent on the old contract, said Local 1063 President Glenn Herzog.

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No progress reported in strike at Leroy's

By Andy Siering
Staff writer

PONTOON BEACH — No progress has been made in negotiations between meatcutters and Leroy's Market.

The three butchers, members of Meatcutters Local 534, went on strike March 27. They have been without a contract for almost 11 months.

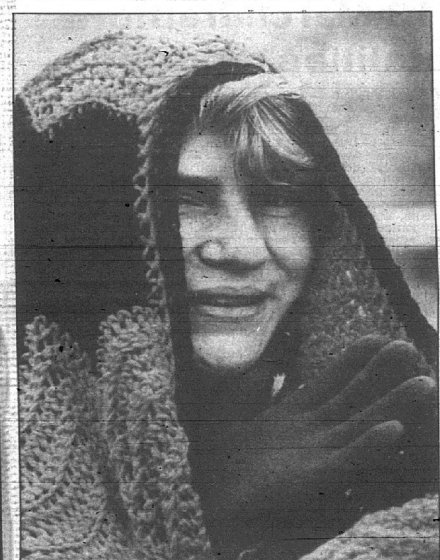
The union and the store's owner, Jim Luesse, disagree on what is holding up a settlement. Luesse said he has given in on everything but a three-year wage increase and his right to work

behind his own meat counter. The union is unhappy with seniority provisions and working conditions. Both sides appear to be ready for a protracted strike. Neither has contacted the other since the strike began March 27.

"He's welcome to call us at any time," said Richard Taylor, president of Local 534.

Luesse said he had turned down Taylor's offer to have a federal mediator sit in on negotiations and to meet with a representative from the union's international office in Chicago.

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(Staff photo by Pam Doepke)
KEEPING WARM: Wendy Chamberlin, 15, watches the Granite City girls varsity softball team from her own cocoon. Chamberlin is a member of the the junior varsity squad.

Realtor: reprimand unjustified

By Carolyn Costello
Correspondent

The Illinois Department of Professional Regulations (DPR) has reprimanded and fined George F. Crews, broker and owner of Crews Realty Better Homes and Gardens Inc., \$1,000 for removing \$1,000 of earnest money from his escrow account into his operating account without written consent of the buyer and seller.

Crews said he feels he had the right to transfer the money into the account because he earned it as a commission.

Crews chose to pay the fine because, he said, legal costs for an appeal would have exceeded the amount of the fine. He said that, according to the DPR board, the chances of winning an appeal are slim.

In 1987, a client of Crews Realty, Granite City, lost his home in repossession to Transamerica. Before the repossession, Crews had a signed sales contract with potential buyers James and Judy Broshov of Granite City.

The Broshovs backed out of the first contract because they could not strike a deal. The original seller was asking \$100,000 for the property.

Under verbal agreement, Crews said, Transamerica

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(Staff photo by Pam Doepke)
POSTAL PICKETING: Grag Weeks of Carpenters Local 633 pickets outside the Granite City Post Office on Monday.

Granite post office picketed

By Andy Siering
Staff writer

GRANITE CITY — Carpenters picketed the main post office Monday over work being done by an outside contractor.

Workers for Washington Demolition Company of Washington, Mo., installed a temporary wood canopy over workers' areas in the post office to protect them from debris while work was done on the ceiling.

Pickets from Carpenters Local 633 walked out-

side, but there was no disruption of service, said Postmaster Charles Parkinson.

He said the picketers claimed the canopy was carpentry work. Parkinson said there were no problems. "In fact, I took them a cup of coffee. They're very congenial. They're not causing any problems."

Postal workers, who are prohibited from striking by federal law, reported to work as usual, Parkinson said.

By 3:30 p.m. Monday, the picketers were gone.

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Sean McGraw, Director
Vehicle Services Department
Office of the Secretary of State

13,500 licenses suspended in insurance law crackdown

CHICAGO — The Secretary of State's Office has announced the suspension of license plates of more than 13,500 motorists for failing to comply with Illinois' new mandatory automobile liability insurance law.

"This shows we mean business. Uninsured motorists in this state — at long last — are going to pay the price," Secretary of State Jim Edgar said. "I am again warning those who don't have insurance to obtain it."

The suspensions result from a statewide random check made by the Secretary of State's Office and from convictions on tickets written by police officers for failure to have insurance.

"Our survey of police departments throughout Illinois shows that more than 30,000 tickets have been written."

"Our two enforcement mechanisms — the random check and ticket-writing by law enforcement officers — are working."

More than 141,300 of those receiving the 154,000 question-

naires mailed thus far by the Secretary of State's Office responded that they are insured. Their responses are now being verified with insurance companies, and those motorists who have been untruthful will have their license plates suspended.

The office plans to mail an average of 6,000 questionnaires weekly. More than 400,000 motorists will have been checked by the end of 1990. That will be the largest number checked by any state.

Those receiving suspension notices are given 45 days before the suspensions are finalized; during that time, they are given a chance to prove that they had

insurance on the day the questionnaire was mailed to them.

License plates are suspended for at least two months and are reinstated only after insurance has been obtained.

Those who are reinstated are then likely targets for follow-up checks by the Secretary of State's Office to assure that they have continued their coverage.

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Man booked for battery

Jerry D. Bladdick, 28, of the Parktowne West mobile home court was arrested at 12:15 a.m. April 6 for battery.

Linda J. Thebeau-Bladdick told police she had come home from a tavern and Bladdick was hiding behind the front door. She told police he pushed her down, onto the kitchen floor, and started kicking her in the face.

Bladdick then allegedly picked up a table and threw it on top of Thebeau-Bladdick and put an ink pen to her throat and demanded she give him her money and keys.

She told police that, when she refused, Bladdick got a kitchen knife and held it to her throat, breaking the skin, so she handed over all the money in her pockets, the keys to her van and some other keys.

Thebeau-Bladdick said Bladdick then left with another man in her van.

Police spotted the van and arrested Bladdick at the intersection of 18th street and Cleveland Boulevard. Bladdick was charged with battery and driving while his driver's license was suspended. Bail was set at \$204 cash.

Burglar kicks in door
Terry B. Whithead of the 2400 block of East 25th Street reported April 5 that a burglar had kicked in the front door of his home and pulled a ceiling fan from the ceiling.

Tools taken at Legacy
The Legacy Golf Course, 3500 Cargill Road, reported April 6 that a burglar had broken into two storage sheds and taken a tool box filled with various hand tools valued at \$3,000.

Burglar gets big haul
Duane Shemwell of the 100 block of Briarcliff Avenue reported April 5 that a burglar had broken into his home and taken a man's bracelet valued at \$2,000, a video cassette recorder valued at \$900, a microwave oven, two guitars worth \$1,000 each, a car stereo valued at \$100, a vacuum cleaner valued at \$700, a gold watch worth \$500 and two televisions valued at \$280 each.

Battery of child alleged
Roger B. Carter, 18, of the 2900 block of Buxton Avenue was arrested April 5 on an allegation of battery, striking an 11-year-

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old girl on the back with his fist.

Bicycle stolen

Vince Gaddy of the 2200 block of East 25th Street reported April 5 that his bicycle, valued at \$350, had been stolen from the steps in front of his house.

Empty house ransacked

Mary Elledge of the 600 block of Thorngate Drive, Mitchell, reported April 5 that a burglar broke into an unoccupied home she owns in the 2400 block of Adams Street and ransacked it. She reported nothing was missing.

Burglar gets purse, cash

Cathy Shonds of the 2100 block of Adams Street reported April 5 that a burglar had broken into her car parked at the Post Office at 24th Street and Madison Avenue and taken her purse valued at \$5, plus \$250 in cash and \$150 in food stamps.

Deceptive checks alleged

Robert William Bunn, 50, of Troy was arrested in St. Clair County on April 5 on a Granite City warrant charging four counts of deceptive practice. The charges were the result of allegedly bad checks written at sev-

eral Granite City businesses. Bunn was transferred to the Madison County Jail.

Quarters and food stolen

Edward J. Hathaway of Mendota, Ill., reported March 30, a thief stole a \$10 roll of quarters and \$10 worth of food items from his room at the Illini Motel, 1100 Niedringhaus Ave.

Two hurt in 203 crash

The second three-vehicle accident to occur within an hour at the same intersection on Illinois 203 resulted in injuries to two persons at 7:40 p.m. April 6.

Judith A. Lane, 33, of the 1900 block of Joy Avenue told police she was unable to make a left turn from northbound 203 into Maryville Road due to a previous accident, which had left a damaged vehicle blocking the left turn lane. She was waiting in the adjacent lane to make her turn when her car was struck from the rear.

Joe Arnold Mitzel, 53, of Worden said his auto was stopped behind Lane's car when his vehicle was hit from the rear by a pickup truck operated by Leo R. Burris, 25, of the 2100 block of Harrison Avenue. The Mitzel car was pushed against the Lane auto.

Mitzel and a passenger in his vehicle, Edith Mitzel, 52, of Worden suffered injuries. Both declined immediate medical attention.

113 March traffic fatalities reported

SPRINGFIELD — Traffic fatalities for March totaled 113 as a result of 102 accidents, the same as the 113 deaths in the same month of 1989.

The figures were released by the Illinois departments of Transportation and State Police.

Included in the March totals were 19 pedestrians killed in 19 accidents, three persons killed in three railroad crossing accidents, seven persons killed in seven accidents involving motorcycles, and one bicyclist

killed in one accident. The tally of 325 deaths for 1990 is a decrease of 7.1 percent when compared to the 350 deaths in the first quarter of 1989.

The report shows travel volume increased by 2.7 percent during the same time period.

In Madison County, there were four traffic deaths in March, compared to three in March 1989.

There have been 13 traffic deaths so far this year in Madison County.

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Briefly

Edgewood talk on how to help

On April 24 at 7:30 p.m., the Edgewood Program at Edwardsville will present a talk and a film on "How to Help an Alcoholic or Drug Addict Who Won't Help Himself."

The speaker will be Dan Huff, counselor for the Edgewood Program.

This talk is free and open to the public.

The Edgewood Program at Edwardsville is located on Illinois Route 157 by the Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville campus.

Persons may call 1-800-458-6477 or 656-6730 for further information.

Coal mines subject topic

A monthly meeting of the Madison County Genealogical Society will be held Thursday, April 12, at 7 p.m. at First Federal Savings and Loan, Community Room, 300 St. Louis St., Edwardsville.

The meeting place has changed due to Maundy Thursday services being held at Immanuel United Methodist Church.

Leroy Harris will speak on "The Coal Mines of Glen Carbon," with information on the ethnic groups of the area.

Two win transit prizes

Doug Jones of Granite City and Roselin Johnson of Madison were winners in WRYT radio's recent phone-in prize give-away to promote the new Madison County Transit system service in Coatsville.

Jones won a night for two at a Best Western motel and Johnson won free passes to Fairmount Racetrack.

Yard waste ban begins July 1

SPRINGFIELD — The Illinois Environmental Protection Agency has issued a notice of the impending ban on yard wastes in landfills.

The ban, which is effective July 1, 1990, will affect all Illinois communities and property owners who bag their grass clippings, leaves or tree branches for landfill disposal.

Approximately 20 percent of the municipal solid waste in the United States consists of landscape waste; therefore, the Illinois General Assembly set the July 1, 1990, ban on the disposal of yard wastes in landfills to respond to the rapid diminishment of "available sanitary landfill space."

Adherence to the new law is a two-pronged approach. "Responsibility begins with the citizen to not deposit yard wastes with the other household garbage for disposal," said IEPA Director Bernard P. Kilian. "In addition, the landfill operators cannot accept these wastes."

Citizens who in the past have landfilled their yard wastes must now find alternative sources for disposal of these wastes. There are a number of simple solutions including: composting, leaving the grass clippings and leaves on the ground to serve as natural fertilizer, and burning (if allowed by local ordinance).

Composting of landscape wastes can be implemented both commercially and domestically. To compost at home requires either a pit or a designated pile into which yard wastes, commercial fertilizer (to aid natural organic breakdown) and soil are layered. The compost heap should be kept moist and turned occasionally so that quick, complete decomposition occurs.

Commercial composting is a large-scale operation based upon the same principles as home composting. Communities or organizations interested in starting a commercial composting program must apply for a permit from the IEPA Division of Land Pollution Control.

Arab group calls Simon pro-Israel

By Edward T. Hearn
Staff writer

A group favoring Palestinian statehood released a study Friday that calls U.S. Sen. Paul Simon one of the "favorite five" of pro-Israel special interest groups that direct money to Senate election campaigns.

The study, prepared by the Washington-based Arab American Institute, also suggests that wealthy pro-Israel political action committees have succeeded in swaying the Illinois Democrat toward their point of view on Middle East issues.

"I think that's an erroneous charge. He has often taken a position (opposite) from people who have traditionally supported him. He does that based on conviction," said Simon campaign spokesman Ellen Golin.

Simon is seeking re-election to the Senate this year.

In 1979, Simon, then a member of the House, supported U.S. aid to Syria, an Arab coalition Israel's border. A year later he withheld support for moving the U.S. embassy from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem, the study said.

But since his first Senate race in 1984

when he received more than \$300,000 from pro-Israel PACs, Simon has abandoned his evenhanded course in the Arab-Israeli dispute, AAI executive director Dr. James Zogby said.

"Paul Simon is bought. It's as simple as that. Paul Simon cannot objectively speak out on Middle Eastern issues," Zogby said.

Thirty pro-Israel groups mentioned in the study have allocated more than \$500,000, or 50 percent of their overall donations, to Simon's campaign and that of four other senators since January 1989, the study said.

Simon got the largest chunk, \$142,000. U.S. Sens. Carl Levin, D-Michigan, Tom Harkin, D-Iowa, Rudy Boschwitz, R-Minnesota, and Howell Heflin, D-Alabama, were also included in the group.

"We always give money on the basis of American interests. That's the way we always put it. A secure Israel is in the best interest of the United States," said Morris J. Amitay, treasurer of Washington PAC, which gave Simon's re-election committee \$8,000.

By using the phrase "favorite five," the study was attempting to question the influence of pro-Israel PAC money in the same

manner the "Keating five" slogan has called into question the campaign funding from troubled savings and loan executives, Zogby said.

"We ought to judge Simon the same if he has gotten \$300,000 in S&L money and voted for the S&L interest," Zogby said. The study said U.S. Rep. Lynn Martin, Simon's Republican opponent, has received \$1,000 from pro-Israel PACs.

AAI is a nonprofit organization that supports a Palestinian state and recognizes Israel's right to exist, Zogby said, adding that his group does not accept foreign funding.

For his first re-election try, Simon has accepted more than \$140,000 from pro-Israel PACs, or about 17 percent of his overall PAC receipts, the study said.

The study also said that the \$300,000 Simon received in 1984 was the single largest amount ever given to a campaign by pro-Israel PACs.

"My initial reaction is that Paul Simon gets support from a lot of people," Golin said. "He is not in any way pandering to special interest groups."

Ryan: Earth Day Illinois for seniors, too

This column addresses topics of concern to senior citizens issued by Lt. Gov. George Ryan's Senior Action Centers. The Centers' toll-free phone number is 1-800-252-0565. In the Springfield area, call (217) 792-6965.

I belong to a senior citizens group in my community. We've heard about an "Earth Day Illinois" to be held this spring. Many of our members are interested in environmental issues, but we don't know how to be involved with this special day. What can we do to become a part of it?

With Earth Day 1990 — Sunday, April 22 — just a few weeks away, you are off to a good start. Your group's enthusiasm and commitment can join that of millions of other

people across the country, helping to promote awareness about the environment and working to ensure that it is properly cared for.

In Illinois, 12 state agencies, numerous individuals, environmental groups, educators, and businesses will observe Earth Day by actually kicking off with an entire week.

Earth Week, starting April 15. Since there is so little time to plan events, start small. Find out what is already being planned in your area and what you can do to help. Contact the Illinois Department of Energy and Natural Resources at 325 West Adams, Room 300 in Springfield 62704-1892 or call their toll-free number 1-800-252-8953 for information on local events. In addition to keeping track of

community Earth Day/Week activities, the Department is distributing other general information on Earth Day.

Just what kinds of events can your group sponsor? It depends on what specific issue you decide to address — litter, air pollution, hazardous waste, water quality, endangered species. Here are a few ideas:

• Sponsor a speaker and invite the public. Choose someone who is familiar with a problem in your area.

• Adopt a highway, park, subdivision, business district, stream, river, or lake in the community and clean it up. Make it an ongoing project.

• Begin a community waste reduction or recycling program.

16-year-old needs foster home

GRANITE CITY — The Illinois Department of Children and Family Services is seeking help from area families who are willing to provide care for foster children of all ages.

These are youngsters whose biological parents, for many reasons, are unable to care for them. Some children may have been abandoned, others abused or neglected.

Until their problems are resolved, they need foster care. They need foster parents who will give them the advantage of a warm and secure home environment.

Connie, 16, was beaten severely by her father a number of years ago. Her mother is brain damaged and in a nursing home.

Her father has refused counseling and persisted in a "righteous" attitude. Occasionally, her father indulges her with expensive gifts of clothing and

money. This just gets Connie's hopes up only to be crushed again.

Counseling has not been helpful. Connie says that she cannot talk with adults because she is always reminded of her father.

Connie has a "flat" personality. She shows little feeling. She frequently misinterprets what people say.

At school, she mainly goes through the motions and makes minimal passing grades even in special classes. Her main pastimes are going to movies and watching television. She has few girlfriends.

Only occasionally do boys ask her out. If you are interested in giving a home advantage to Connie, or in foster care in general, call Jeannette Rettle, resource development specialist, at 452-8420.

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Briefly

Mastectomy Club will meet

St. Elizabeth Medical Center of Granite City, in cooperation with the American Cancer Society, has formed a Mastectomy Club to meet the special needs of post-mastectomy patients. The next meeting will be held Wednesday, April 11, at 7 p.m. in the PASCAL Hall on the ground floor of SEMC.

Ellen Fredrick, a registered dietitian on staff at St. Elizabeth, will speak about nutrition.

The Mastectomy Club is designed to provide fellowship and information to women who share the common experience of breast cancer. It is open to anyone who has been diagnosed as having breast cancer.

Parking is available in the garage on 21st Street or the parking lot located on Washington Avenue. Signs in the front lobby give directions to PASCAL Hall.

Auto Concours d' Elegance

More than 400 antique and collector cars, including a 1912 Thomas Flyer, are expected at the 29th Easter in the Park Concours d' Elegance from 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Sunday, April 15, in Forest Park.

The event is conducted by the Horseless Carriage Club of Missouri and is sponsored by the Auto Club of Missouri.

Also scheduled to be at the show are such autos as a 1917 Dodge touring car, numerous Model T Fords and Model A Fords, 1965-67 Chevrolts, Packards, Studebakers, Nashes and Hudsons and other makes, both domestic and foreign.

The event, on the Upper Mummy Opera parking facility in Forest Park, has a rain date of April 22.

Vehicles 15 years old or older may be displayed in a non-judging area. Cars from 1965 and before may be judged in nine pre-war primary classes and 20 post-war, with previous first-place winners grouped into nine senior classes.

Three trophies are to be awarded for each primary class. Special awards are to be given for oldest vehicle, longest distance driven to show, and best product of various markets. Awards for vintage costumes also will be made.

For registration information, persons may call (314) 532-2169.

Rules of Road course slated

The Secretary of State in cooperation with the Granite City Council of Senior Citizens is offering a Rules of the Road review course April 18 for all citizens in the Granite City area.

The purpose of the course is to help applicants pass the Illinois Driver's License renewal examination.

It updates drivers on Illinois rules of the road, explains vision and driving ability examinations, and prepares applicants for the written and road sign examination.

The Rules of the Road course will be given at the Granite City Township Building, 2060 Delmar Ave., on Wednesday, April 18, from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

The course is free to everyone, any age, who wishes to attend.

For more information, Clyde Myers can be contacted at 676-3981.

Bomber group plans reunion

A June 13-17 reunion is planned in Kansas City, Mo., for former members of the 351st Bomb Group, which was based at Polebrook, England, during World War II. They may call Ben Scholhan, 614-882-8410, or write him at 396 Catawba Ave., Westerville, Ohio 43081.

Martin, Simon clash over taxes

By Edward T. Hearn
Staff writer

WASHINGTON — U.S. Rep. Lynn Martin has blasted Democratic Sen. Paul Simon, whose seat she is seeking, for suggesting higher Social Security payroll taxes were needed to balance the federal budget.

At a Capitol Hill press conference, Martin, a Republican, attacked first-term incumbent Simon after his remarks on taxes appeared in a news article March 28 in the *Chicago Tribune*.

"Every tax the federal government levies, he wants to increase," she declared. "It doesn't take a lot of courage to spend other people's money. It does take strength to say 'no.'"

Martin, a follower of President George Bush's "read my lips — no new taxes" pledge, repeated her position in favor of both

slashing taxes and balancing the budget by curbing growth in government programs.

Simon's campaign issued a statement that defended the senator's record and warned voters that Martin's spending cuts would hurt the middle class and the poor.

"Rep. Lynn Martin's deficit-reduction plan is cutting programs like Head Start, guaranteed student loans, Amtrak and Medicare," Anne Roosevelt, Simon's campaign manager, said in a prepared statement.

In February, Bush proposed spending \$1.23 trillion for fiscal 1991. The new spending plan includes a \$63.1 billion deficit, just under the \$64 billion limit required under the 1985 Gramm-Rudman-Hollings deficit law.

Simon, calling the swollen national debt "the most pressing economic problem this nation faces," said a deficit-reduction

package should include higher consumption taxes on alcohol and tobacco.

On Social Security, Simon said he would endorse increasing the payroll tax from 7.65 percent to 8.15 percent to pay for the long-term health care of the elderly.

Martin, who hit these Simon proposals hard, said she would refrain from voting to hike taxes and would thus force the federal government to trim spending.

"You deal with the deficit by limiting spending," she said. "Remember, revenues are up, not down. We are not talking about the fact that your federal government is suffering from not enough money."

For his part, Simon offered cutting defense spending by 3 percent in anticipation of saving \$9 billion, half of which would fund health care and education programs; the other half would

go toward retiring the \$3.2 trillion federal debt.

"Paul's program is to reduce defense spending and, if necessary, find reasonable and equitable revenue specifically earmarked for reduction of the deficit," Roosevelt said.

Simon's call for an increase in the Social Security tax runs counter to another Democratic proposal that recently won the endorsement of Democratic National Committee Chairman Ron Brown.

The proposal, sponsored by U.S. Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan, D-N.Y., calls for cutting the payroll tax by \$5 billion in a bid to stop the government from masking the size of the federal deficit with the multibillion Social Security surplus.

In coming out against the tax-cutting Moynihan bill, Simon said it would worsen the federal deficit at the wrong time.

Confusing tests on cancer fungus concern Illinois corn growers

By Jason Moody
Staff writer

WASHINGTON — Illinois farmers, hurt by inconsistent testing procedures for a carcinogenic fungus in corn, should be compensated if the government requires them to destroy their contaminated crops, Rep. Lane Evans contends.

The Rock Island Democrat, who has sponsored legislation for uniform testing and disposal procedures for the deadly aflatoxins, told lawmakers before a House Agriculture subcommittee how the current requirements confused local farmers.

"One farmer described to me how his truckload of grain was rejected by the elevator when testing equipment measured it (as unsafe)," Evans said.

"However, when he brought the same grain back the next day, it tested (as safe) and the elevator accepted the grain."

The new legislation, also sponsored by Rep. Jim Jontz, D-Ind., would require the U.S. Department of Agriculture to establish techniques for improving the accuracy of tests and provide

indemnity payments for farmers whose crops are hit by aflatoxin contamination.

The Food and Drug Administration ranks microbial diseases such as salmonella and listeria or environmental contaminants like lead and mercury to be of much greater risk than aflatoxins, the Government Accounting Office (GAO) report said.

"Crops are more susceptible to aflatoxin contamination when stressed by drought conditions, essentially put a halt to last fall's corn harvest."

"Although we all hope another drought will not occur, we have no control over a lack of rain," said Evans. "We can, however, help farmers minimize economic and physical damage to their crop while protecting the nation's food supply."

The GAO report indicated any new legislation should require testing at the approximately 100

mills where corn is processed into food rather than at grain elevators as it is currently done.

However, Doug Godke of the Tazewell County Farm Bureau said this could even heighten the confusion.

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Tips for zero-hour tax filers

By Sylvia Porter

As April is fast approaching, great numbers of U.S. citizens are just now gathering their receipts, locating their 1040 forms and adding up their medical deductions.

If you are a "tax procrastinator," take note of the following tips, assembled with the help of tax attorney Robert Nath of Fairfax, Va., a contributing editor to "Bender's Federal Tax Service."

•Plan to file on time, no matter what. Understand that there is a penalty for not filing, and another penalty for not paying money owed.

Generally, the penalty for late filing is 5 percent per month (up to 25 percent) of the amount owed, 10 times the rate of the late-payment penalty of 1/2 percent per month. Rarely are the penalties waived. That means even if you do not have the cash on hand, you need to send in your forms. Remember: The IRS can criminally prosecute non-filers.

•Procrastinators are notorious for losing their forms, and then they panic. There really is no excuse for not having the right form. The Internal Revenue Service has them, as do accountants, tax attorneys, tax preparers and many public libraries.

The IRS accepts photocopies. If worse comes to worse and it's the zero hour, you can write down your tax information on a piece of paper, including your income, deductions and all pertinent data, and mail that to the IRS with an explanation.

•Sending something is better than sending nothing. The IRS likes to hear from you.

•Last-minute filers frequently end up estimating their income or deductions. The IRS does not like to hear you say, "Well, I made about \$20,000 last year." They will penalize you for that.

When you estimate something, you should disclose that on your return, because the disclosure may lessen or even eliminate your eventual penalty.

•Whether or not you mail at the last minute, at least prepare your return several days in advance. When you rush, you will likely make mistakes. And if you make a mistake on one line, that mistake invariably affects other lines; every mistake you make will be multiplied. Give yourself a little time to check your math.

•Be careful about handing your taxes over at the last minute to a tax preparer you don't know. Stick to accountants, CPAs, attorneys, enrolled agents and experienced return preparers or return preparation services. Always ask for references.

•You should make a specific note on when your returns are sent. However, since the IRS is losing track of returns more frequently than ever before, you should make an extra effort to have proof that you sent your returns on time.

Remember: The burden of proof is always on the taxpayer. If the IRS loses your return and you cannot prove it was filed on time, you can be penalized. Certified mail is one option, as are private delivery services that issue receipts that can serve as evidence.

•Records are increasingly important. Save every single piece of paper you used to prepare your taxes, and every single note indicating all of your reasoning on how you reported (or did not report) items on your return.

Last-minute filers should not forget to spend a couple of minutes photocopying their signed returns. You will be at a big disadvantage without them.

•Some people file extensions, which is acceptable, "because at least you are communicating with the IRS."

The first extension is automatic, but the second is not, and there is no third extension. Also, some people who file extensions think that it is an extension of time to make payments. It is not.

•If you owe money and you are late, that will cost you an effective annual rate of 17 percent. The moral is: borrow money if you owe the IRS. It is unlikely your interest payment will be more than the 17 percent penalty rate.

IRS agents: Nice guys with a reputation

By Jim Haverstick

Staff writer

Laughter fills the air. An inflatable brontosaurus hangs from the ceiling. Photos of a picnic decorate the walls. And it is not uncommon to see a box of Girl Scout cookies peeking out from a file cabinet drawer.

This may sound like a classroom or even an office party. Who would guess that this fun-filled picture is the normal, relaxed atmosphere at the office of the Internal Revenue Service in East St. Louis?

Most people picture IRS agents as hard-nosed, horn-rimmed misers in three-piece suits, men just waiting to catch someone cheating on their taxes.

Not true. They are real people with lives outside the realm of deductions and penalties.

"We are not as bad as everybody thinks," said Ed Sarhage of Troy, Ill.

Sarhage has a home and a family just like other people. He has been married for 21 years; he has two children and one grandchild.

He loves sports. He has officiated for high school basketball for five years. He umpires for a

softball team and he plays golf on weekends.

Sarhage also happens to be a tax auditor.

"Being a tax auditor makes for interesting conversations in the locker rooms. When I'm talking with the guys and I tell them I work for the IRS, they get scared," he said. "They start swearing up and down that they are honest and always pay their taxes."

Sarhage is the first to admit that tax auditors have a serious image problem.

People have no reason to be scared, he said. Auditors try to help people correct problems; it is not their job to trick people into admitting they are cheaters.

"People are audited because there is a problem with their tax return, not because we are out to get them," he said.

"When people come in for an audit I try to put their mind at ease," Sarhage said.

He explains to them that he is just going to examine their records and their returns to see if there is a problem or a mistake.

He is not intentionally trying to find an error.

If there is a problem, it is the auditor's job to teach the person

how to fill out his or her return correctly.

"People end up thanking me when they leave my office," he said. "It might be an expensive lesson for them, but they do end up learning something."

Sarhage became an auditor with the IRS because he enjoys the educational aspect of the job. Also, he enjoys working with people and numbers. It seemed like the perfect combination for him.

Revenue collectors have an equally bad reputation with the public.

When they think of a tax collector, most people picture Simon Legree. A tall skinny man with a top hat, black cape and freshly waxed handlebar mustache, pounding on the door demanding payment and threatening to tie a young maiden to the train tracks.

Wrong again!

If you are having difficulty paying your taxes or you have failed to file your tax return on time, you are more likely to hear Ralph Logan, also of the East St. Louis office, knocking on your door instead of Simon Legree.

Though Logan does have a

mustache, it isn't waxed into a handlebar, and he hardly ever wears a black cape when he goes out into the field.

Logan, like Sarhage, is a family-oriented person who is interested in sports. He and his wife of 14 years live in St. Louis.

He spends much of his free time attending his 13-year-old daughter's games. She plays for her junior high basketball team, plays volleyball and runs track.

Logan joined the IRS after leaving the Navy. His job as a revenue collector is to locate people who haven't paid their taxes or even filled out their returns.

"The people I work with are people who have real problems. I help them find a solution," he said.

He helps people understand and fill out their tax returns. If they can't pay their taxes, he helps them come up with the money, whether it means borrowing funds, paying in installments or payroll deduction.

But, he said, the person who is paying always has a voice in what happens.

At the end of the week, when Logan is finished with work, he goes bowling.

Audits don't always mean you're in hot water

By Jim Haverstick

Staff writer

The majority of people who are called in for an audit are not in hot water with the Internal Revenue Service. Primarily, IRS audits are randomly selected by a computer, said Ed Sarhage, IRS tax auditor.

The IRS performs audits in an effort to survey the public's understanding and ability to fill out tax returns properly.

When a person is called in for an audit, usually only one aspect

of the return is being examined. The auditor rarely has cause to examine the entire return or the person's financial history.

"When we audit a return we are looking at a particular figure. If we see a deduction, we want to find out how that person arrived at the amount he is claiming," he said.

Taxpayers often turn in other people to the IRS, sometimes unintentionally.

For example, if a person is claiming he paid \$10,000 a year

for child care and tells the auditor he paid this amount in cash to his neighbor who provided child care for the children, then the auditor may pull out the neighbor's return to see if the neighbor is listing that \$10,000 as income, Sarhage said.

If the IRS has reason to believe that a person is intentionally withholding income that should be reported, then that

person's returns are handed over to the criminal investigation department.

Most of the cases handled by this department deal with people who are withholding funds due to illegal activity such as drugs or prostitution, not people who forget to claim baby-sitting money, said Sarhage.

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Earth Day being celebrated at university

The 20th anniversary of the original Earth Day, which sparked America's consciousness toward bettering the environment, is being celebrated at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville with more than two weeks of mid- and late-April events on campus.

One of the keynote speakers at the SIUE observance will be Peter Raven, an avid environmentalist and director of the Missouri Botanical Gardens. Raven will speak about "The Sustainability of the Earth: A Common Responsibility" from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday, April 17, in Meridian Hall of SIUE's University Center.

It was former U.S. Senator Gaylord Nelson who conceived the idea of the first Earth Day, April 22, 1970, a day

when 12,000 schools, colleges and universities and 20 million Americans took a visible stand about the state of the environment.

Out of that massive demonstration of public concern came the Federal Clean Air and Clean Water acts, the establishment of the Environmental Protection Agency and a variety of parallel agencies within each of the 50 states.

Advancing the EPA to cabinet-department status currently is being considered by the federal government.

Earth Day 1970 has been called the largest organized demonstration in history, with its activities ranging from nature walks to direct action against major polluters.

The mayor of New York banned auto-

mobiles from Fifth Avenue on that 20 years ago, and Congress adjourned enable members to attend "teach-in" in their respective districts.

Nelson, who is now a counselor of the Wilderness Society in Washington D.C., and honorary co-chairman of Earth Day 1990, said in a statement coordinators of this year's celebration at SIUE:

"My goal for Earth Day 1970 was demonstration so large it would for the environmental issue into the political dialogue of the nation."

"The single, most important object of this 20th anniversary is a worldwide demonstration so overwhelming that literally shakes the political leadership of the world out of its lethargy—a

galvanizes it into a monumental cooperative effort to stop the deterioration of the planet and begin its restoration."

Continuing from April 11 through April 27 at SIUE, Earth Day 1990 programs will involve environmental issues and the effect of the human race on the planet.

Helen Caldicott, a pediatrician and environmentalist, will speak about "Global Environmental Preservation" at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 11, in Meridian Hall. Dr. Caldicott's appearance is part of SIUE's Arts & Issues Series.

Other scheduled events include: • A presentation of the "Gorilla Conservation Program at the St. Louis Zoo," by Ingrid Forton, assistant cura-

tor of mammals-primates at the St. Louis Zoo, from 7:30 to 9 p.m. Wednesday, April 18, in SIUE's Lovejoy Library auditorium.

• A talk by environmentalist and SIUE Chemistry Prof. F. Henry Firsching, who will speak about "Global Warming" from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. Thursday, April 19, in the Lovejoy auditorium.

Earth Day also includes a native-American cultural arts exhibit and film series, a World Food Day teleconference, a CROP hunger walk, an environmental fair and a showing of the film "Koyaanisqatsi."

For more information, persons may call SIUE's Student Leadership Development Center at 692-2686.

Chinese students won't be deported until 1994

By Jason Moody
Staff writer

WASHINGTON — Reacting to intensive lobbying led by Sen. Alan Dixon to safeguard Chinese students living in the United States, President George Bush on April 6 said he would issue an executive order protecting them from deportation until 1994.

Bush's statement reassured lawmakers and Chinese student leaders concerned over the president's commitment to help students afraid of political prosecution if forced to return home after the Tiananmen Square massacre, Dixon said.

Dixon on April 5 had threat-

ened to reintroduce a bill to waive visa requirements for Chinese students who wish to remain in the U.S.

But at a press conference before the American Society of Newspaper Editors in Washington the next day, Bush said his executive order was stronger than Dixon's legislation because it also will protect Chinese nationals from deportation.

"I think that will certainly convince people, those that might be skeptical, that I have every intention of keeping my word," Bush said. "We don't want to take a chance on somebody being mistreated, brutal-

ized if you will."

In a statement on the Senate floor and in a letter to Bush, Dixon accused the president of reneging on an earlier promise to issue an executive order—a presidential statement of law—on behalf of the students.

In recent statements, administration officials said Bush planned to rely instead on a presidential statement of law—a much weaker statement of policy, said Dixon.

"I am gratified to see that the conflicting statements from administration spokespersons earlier this week were not a true reflection of the President's

intention, after all," Dixon said.

Earlier this year the House voted to override Bush's veto of a Chinese student bill. But the Senate, in a highly partisan battle, could not muster the necessary two-thirds vote.

"When the administration vigorously urged this body not to override the president's veto... we were told the president would take care of the matter through an executive order," Dixon said on the Senate floor. "I am most confident that if the president had not provided such assurance, this body would have overridden the president's veto."

Chinese student leaders had

also expressed concern that Bush might not make good on his vow to protect students against involuntary deportation.

"There was a lack of clearness from the top and this was very frustrating," said Dr. Haiching Zhao, chairman of the National Committee on Chinese Students Affairs.

But Zhao called Bush's April 6 announcement "a great victory for us after all these months."

Zhao predicted it would solve many of the paperwork problems Chinese students currently face with the State Department and the Immigration and Naturalization Service.

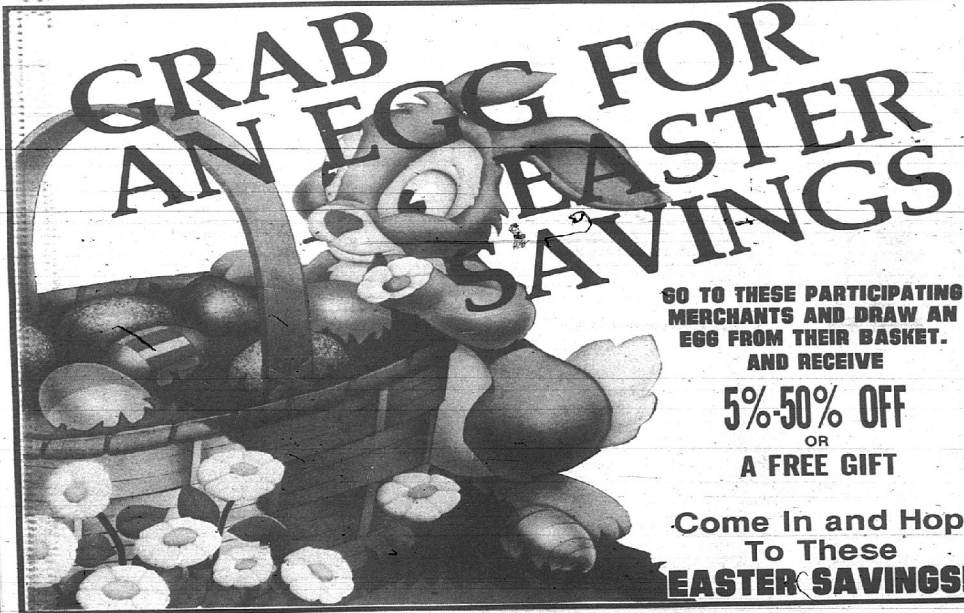
Volunteers saluted

In celebration of National Volunteer Week, the Missouri Botanical Garden will admit volunteers from any area organization free, April 22-28.

To qualify for free admission, volunteers should show a form of identification such as a badge or volunteer card.

For more information, the Garden's volunteer office can be called at (314) 577-5157. The Missouri Botanical Garden, 4344 Shaw Blvd., is open daily from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (except Christmas Day).

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Spring brings hay fever for some

By George Malkasian, M.D.
President, the American
College of Obstetricians
and Gynecologists

Each spring, summer and fall, millions of Americans feel their noses start to tickle as tiny, dry particles (called pollen) are released by trees, weeds and grasses and are scattered by the wind.

This seasonal reaction to pollen, of course, is commonly called "hay fever."

People who suffer from hay fever are allergic to the microscopic pollen grains made by plants for reproduction.

A single plant can produce over a million pollen grains, which, when airborne, can travel on wind currents for up to 400 miles.

Among the most significant pollen producers are ragweed, sagebrush, redroot, pigweed and Russian thistle (tumbleweed).

Different plants have different pollinating periods, which is why symptoms can occur in the spring, summer or fall.

The symptoms of pollen allergies are familiar to many people: sneezing; runny nose; itchy eyes, nose, and throat; and watering eyes.

People who are not sensitive to pollen develop no reactions. The mucus in the nasal passage just moves the pollen grains to the throat, where they are swallowed or coughed out.

But for those people with hay fever, the presence of pollen grains on the mucus membranes

of the nose causes a chain reaction resulting in the release of histamine, the chemical that causes a drippy nose, itching, and other irritation.

To treat pollen allergies, doctors usually recommend either avoidance of pollen; drugs to relieve symptoms; or allergy shots.

Because pollen can travel hundreds of miles, complete avoidance of pollen is impossible. But staying inside, especially in dry weather, and using an air conditioner are helpful in reducing contact with pollen grains.

Medications called antihistamines help reduce most symptoms of hay fever sufferers.

Unfortunately, most of these drugs cause drowsiness, an undesirable side effect for those

who need to be alert during the day.

For long-term reduction of symptoms, doctors often recommend allergy shots or immunotherapy. These shots help increase the tolerance to a particular pollen.

A drawback of this type of treatment, however, is that an individual must visit his or her doctor regularly for the shots.

If you suffer from hay fever, don't put off visiting your doctor. He or she will probably be able to suggest ways to relieve your symptoms and may refer you to an allergy specialist—a doctor who specializes in treating people with hay fever and other allergies.

Easter bunny, chick pets not good idea

By Robbi Courtaway
Staff writer

Consumers who are considering a cute, cuddly bunny, chick or duckling for an Easter pet should think twice, the Humane Society of Missouri advises.

For a variety of reasons, these animals do not make good pets and are very fragile as babies, said Patricia Garrison, director of public relations for the Humane Society.

Playful handling by children can be fatal to these little animals, she said.

But the urge to buy them can be difficult to resist, she said.

"Any pet shop you pass in any mall will have them," she said.

"They're essentially wild animals and they do not make good domestic pets. They're not conditioned or bred to be domestic pets."

Taking care of a non-domesticated animal requires special knowledge of its needs and a long-term commitment.

Moreover, these animals lose their "cuteness" as they mature, Garrison said. Then, owners are faced with caring for a full-grown chicken, rabbit or duck.

Some owners turn these animals loose in the woods or in their own neighborhoods, believ-

ing the former pets can care for themselves, which is a myth, she said.

"They become easy prey for more aggressive animals," Garrison said. "Their chances for survival are very slim."

Persons wishing to give an Easter pet should instead consider placing a gift certificate from the Humane Society or other animal organization in the Easter basket, Garrison said. At the Humane Society, cats can be adopted for \$40, dogs for \$45, and purebred animals for \$60. The fee includes a charge for spaying and neutering.

Writer to speak

John Keegan will be the featured speaker at the 21st annual awards banquet of the Journalism Foundation of Metropolitan St. Louis at 7 p.m. Friday, May 11, at the Clarion Hotel, 300 S. Fourth St.

Keegan, the defense correspondent for the *Daily Telegraph* in London, will speak on "Who Won World War II?" Tickets are \$30 per person. Reservations can be made with a check to the Journalism Foundation of Metropolitan St. Louis, mailed to Nita Browning, Banquet Chairman, Parks College of St. Louis University, Cahokia, Ill. 62206.

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Military



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Recently retired Navy Senior Chief Petty Officer Donald Cheney, son of Pauline Craycraft and stepson of Shad Craycraft of Granite City, recently retired from the Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes Naval Station, after 30 years of active naval service.

Cheney was a former resident of Granite City, attended high school in Edwardsville and graduated from Ritenour High School in Overland, Mo., in 1959, prior to enlisting in the Navy.

He had been primarily assigned to submarine service and instructor duty and earned the Navy Achievement Medal (two awards), Navy Medal, Meritorious Unit Commendation (two awards), Navy Expeditionary Medal (two awards), and Good Conduct Awards (seven awards).

Cheney will make his home in Decatur, with his wife and two children.

Military column

Joseph Goodrich

Marine Sgt. Joseph T. Goodrich, son of Thomas Goodrich of Granite City, recently returned to Long Beach, Calif., from deployment to the Western Pacific and Indian Oceans while serving aboard the battleship USS New Jersey.

During the 35,000 mile deployment, Goodrich participated in numerous military exercises and visited several foreign ports, including Pusan, Republic of Korea; Subic Bay, Republic of the Philippines; Hong Kong; Singapore; Bahrain and Dubai, United Arab Emirates; Pattaya Beach, Thailand; and Guam.

A 1982 graduate of Granite City South High School, Goodrich joined the Marine Corps in June 1982.

Johnny Miller
Navy Seaman Recruit Johnny F. Miller, son of Johnny F. Miller of Pontoon Beach, has completed recruit training at Recruit Training Command, Orlando, Fla.

Miller's studies included seamanship, close order drill, Naval history and first aid. Personnel who complete this course of instruction are eligible for three hours of college credit in physical education and hygiene.

A 1989 graduate of Owensboro High School, Owensboro, Ky.,

Miller joined the Navy in August 1989.

Lloyd Bradley

Sgt. Lloyd A. Bradley has been decorated with the Army Achievement Medal at Fort Sill in Oklahoma.

The Achievement Medal is awarded to soldiers for meritorious service, acts of courage, or other accomplishments.

Bradley is a material storage and handling specialist with the 236th Maintenance Company.

He is the son of Jacqueline E. Jefferies of Venice and his wife, Sonya, is the daughter of James and Inez Bennett of Madison.

The sergeant is a 1982 graduate of Lovejoy High School in Brooklyn.

John McGee

John A. McGee of Granite City recently enlisted in the U.S. Army.

According to his recruiter, Sgt. Norma Washington of the U.S. Army Recruiting Station, 3675 Nameoki Road, McGee has received the Army's written guarantee that he will receive training in the job specialty of his choice, combat engineer.

McGee, who will graduate from Granite City High School in May, will take basic and advanced individual training at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo., reporting for duty Aug. 7.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel McGee of Granite City.

Chanty Ware

Airman Chanty R. Ware has graduated from the U.S. Air Force inventory management course at Lowry Air Force Base in Colorado.

During the course, students were taught property accounting, customer support, stock control and equipment management for a base supply system.

They also were instructed to inventory supplies using electronic data processing machines. The graduates earned credits toward an associate degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

Ware is the daughter of Herman and Velma L. Bradley of Eagle Park. She is a 1986 graduate of Venice Senior High School.

Rebecca A. Aubuchon

Rebecca A. Aubuchon of Granite City recently enlisted in the U.S. Army.

According to her recruiter, Sgt. 1st Class Luis Berge-Plumey of the U.S. Army Recruiting Station, 3675 Nameoki Road, Aubuchon has received the Army's written guarantee that she will receive training in the job specialty of her choice, food service specialist.

Aubuchon, who will graduate from Granite City High School in June, will take basic and advanced individual training at Fort McClellan, Ala., reporting there for duty on Aug. 1. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Aubuchon of Granite City.

Gregory Stenitzer

Cadet Gregory M. Stenitzer of Madison has been promoted to the rank of cadet master sergeant, Foxrot Company, at the Marion Military Institute in Marion, Ala. Stenitzer is a college sophomore and the son of Beatrice J. Stenitzer.

Marion Military Institute is an independent, non-profit institution consisting of a coeducational high

school and two-year college. The school also offers a Service Academy Preparation program in addition to the two-year Army ROTC commissioning program.

Regina Herrin

Navy Seaman Recruit Regina A. Herrin, daughter of Cheryl L. and Thomas R. Herrin Jr. of Granite City, has completed recruit training at Recruit Training Command, Orlando, Fla.

During Herrin's eight-week training cycle, she studied general military subjects designed to prepare her for further academic and on-the-job training in one of the Navy's 85 basic fields.

Herrin's studies included seamanship, close order drill, naval history and first aid. Personnel who complete this course of instruction are eligible for three hours of college credit in physical education and hygiene.

The seaman is a 1986 graduate of Granite City High School.

Vets seek help to repair monument

The Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C., is in need of repairs. Cracks have begun appearing in walls, resulting in a need to replace several of the monument's granite panels. Name additions and updates are also required. These maintenance costs are expected to be quite high, and donations are now being accepted by the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund to finance the work.

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Musical memories, birthdays noted

"Musical Memories," a concert commemorating the 47th season, was presented in March by the Granite City High School Band under the direction of Dennis Meyer and his assistant, Norbert Tate.

The concert featured a wind ensemble, playing Torch Dance and Lincoln Portrait.

The concert band presented the "William Tell Overture," "Symphony No. 3-Finale," selections from "Phantom of the Opera," and the George Washington Bicentennial March.

Members of the band performing included:

Flutes, Kim Annable, Tricia Brinkhoff, Ann Kirkpatrick, Lisa Lewis, Rosa Lucas, Ruth Matthei, Julia Meheic, Ann Mitchell, Mary Mitchell, Jeannette Richardson, Julie Simon, Sarah Stone, Pam Voss and Amy Wigger; oboes, Brigitta Modglin and Michelle Schaus. Bassoon, Stacie Ahlers and Dianne Oliver; E-flat clarinet, Angele Alexander; and clarinets, JoAnn Buxton, Donna Deloy, Allison Dumoulin, Cheryl Forbes, Jennifer Heil, Ann Joyce, Stephanie Lucas, Bethany McGinness, Stacey Mertz, Heather Nall, Amie Parker, Patty Webb and Brian Welsler. Bass clarinets, Cara Embick and Craig Leavell; alto saxes, Mike Davis, Kristi Reed, Jenni Simon and Laura Zeisert; tenor saxes, Drew Johnson, Rachael Parrish and Joy Yurko; baritone



Maxine Green

sax, Regan Hildebrand; trumpets, Nathan Branding, Matt Caubley, Mike Clark, Kris Davis, Kerin Dippel, David Rosales, Kathy Schmiedake, Tom Schmiedake, Todd Utz and Jennifer Wheeler.

French horns, Amy Choat, Kathy Haddock, David Hunter, Ronelle Rayl and Vicki Vangel; trombones, Derek DeJarnett, Mark Harper, James Holmes, Robert McGuire and Dale Newberry.

Baritone, Amos Lane and Chris McMillon; tubas, Mike Corrado, Rob Jaycos, Dan Kirkpatrick and Andy Lator; percussion, Justin Brown, Willy Dimittroff, Patti Meyer, Dan Pearman, Jeremy Reuter, John Viessman and Terry Yoboy; and mallets, Kim Schneffe and Krista Sullivan.

Doris Lathrop was entertained at a birthday party recently in the home of her daughter, Cindy Borgens.

Among the guests were the honoree's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eber Coil and her sister and brother-in-law, Velma and Ed

Akers, all of Flora, Ill.

Also present were David and Stephanie Lathrop and children, Ryan and Elizabeth of Glen Carbon, and Al and Patty Stevens and sons, Adam and Chris, Howard Lathrop of Granite City, Pam and Matt Borgens of St. Charles and Mervin and Thelma Lathrop of Granite City.

Diane Corrado hosted a birthday party honoring her son, Mike, on his 15th birthday.

Attending were the honoree's grandmother, Hilda Corrado and son, David, of Litchfield; grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Al (Vivian) Staggs; Jennifer Heil, Mr. and Mrs. Robert (Debbie) Vincent and son, Bobby, Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie (Melodie) Bettis and son, Lonnie, and his parents, Mike and Diane Corrado.

Mr. and Mrs. Corrado later celebrated their 17th wedding anniversary at Panteleio's with Mr. and Mrs. Bob Vincent and Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Bettis.

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Managing topic of women's network

Dr. Minnie Hysaw of Personnel Services at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville discussed "The Managing Process" during the April 3 meeting of the Southern Illinois Network of Women (SINW).

Her topic focused on the basic

sponsors the Edgewood Program in Edwardsville, which is presenting a free alcohol/drug education series.

The series covers a new topic each week, including: The effects of alcohol and drug abuse on the family; when intervention is necessary; and the recovery process.

Meetings are held each Tuesday, starting at 7:30 p.m. The public is invited and more information can be obtained by calling 1-800-456-6477.

Correction: In the Christian Singles news item in the last issue, it was incorrectly reported that John Knodeyer, a first-time visitor, was the entertainer. Jay Corbit entertained with Christian Magic by singing and playing the guitar.

Maxine Green covers the Granite City and Nameoki Township area for the Press-Record/Journal. She can be contacted at 931-6256.

The buffet dinner meeting was held at Sonnie and Char's Restaurant in Collinsville.

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Pontoon Lionesses' egg hunt Saturday

The seventh annual Easter egg hunt sponsored by the Pontoon Beach Lionesses Club will take place Saturday, April 14, Christy Wells, Lioness president has announced.

Registration of children from infants to 11 years old will start at noon at the Long Lake Volunteer Fire Department, 4113 Pontoon Road, Pontoon Beach. The hunt will begin at 1 p.m. on the fire station grounds.

Children under 2 years of age will not hunt for eggs, but will receive an attendance prize. Wells said. Three prizes will be awarded in each of the remaining age groups.

Lionesses Marlene Cook and Linda Leleniewski are coordinating the Easter egg hunt.

In the event of rain or extremely cold weather, the Easter egg hunt will be held indoors at the Pontoon Beach Senior Citizens Center, 3910 Illinois 111, Wells said.

Chapter meets at Dartmouth residence

Delores Dorch was hostess to the Laureate Alpha Gamma Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi sorority on Valentine's Day.

A letter was read from Viola Donian, division chairman, from the sorority's international office in Kansas City, Mo., concerning possible changes in chapter activities.

The Tri-Cities Area Chamber of Commerce's annual clean-up campaign, scheduled in conjunction with Earth Day, April 22,

Organizations

needs adult volunteers to assist, it was reported. Social chairman Evelyn Tolliver said a potluck dinner would be held at Alice Konieczny's residence.

Pat Tsigaloroff presented a program on the life of Abraham Lincoln, followed by a gift exchange and poetry contest. Those rewarded for their poetry flair were: Dorch, first; Konieczny, second; and Juanita Calve, third.

The hostess served a dessert course to those named and to Bea Brackett, Lora Mae Lombardi, Ruth Stoyanoff, Dolores Byrnes and Imogene Forrest.

First Presbyterian sets Easter dates

The First Presbyterian Church of Granite City, 22nd and Delmar, has announced its Easter schedule. On Thursday, April 12, Maundy Thursday Communion Service will be held in the sanctuary beginning at 7:30 p.m.

On Easter Sunday, April 15, between 8 and 9 a.m. the Navigators will host a continental breakfast. Fruit cup, muffins, juice and coffee will be served. At 9 a.m. Family Fellowship Service in the Fellowship hall and Church School classes of children, youth and adults will begin. At 10:30 a.m. will be worship service in the sanctuary.

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VACATIONERS: Mr. and Mrs. David Melton and Laura Lynette and Alicia of Angela Drive on the sunny Florida skies from the Lido deck of Carnival Cruise Lines' 27,000-ton TSS Mardi Gras just before sailing out of Port Everglades, Fla. on a four-day, mid-week holiday cruise to Nassau and Freeport in the Bahamas.

Day of Renewal set for April 21

A Spring Day of Renewal for Women Religious will be held at the National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows, Saturday, April 21, from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Dr. Tom Dooley Center.

Sr. Clare Fitzgerald, SSND, Boston College Graduate School of Education will conduct the day of reflection. Sr. Clare, a member of the School Sisters of

Notre Dame, has recently served on the Vatican Commission on the study of religious life in the United States.

Registration is limited to 300 and should be made by April 16. The registration fee is \$12 which includes lunch.

For additional information, contact Barb Reynolds at the Shrine, 397-6700 (TTY).

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Births

Matthew G. Barrios

Mr. and Mrs. Scott Barrios of Glen Carbon, are announcing the birth of their son, on March 23, 1990, at Anderson Hospital in Maryville. The infant, Matthew Glenn, weighed 7 pounds, 6 ounces. He joins a brother, Daniel Scott, 3.

The mother is the former Christine Baker.

Maternal grandparents are Glenn and Carol Baker of Caseyville. Paternal grandparents are Sandra K. Mansfield and Ronald M. Barrios of Granite City.

Chelsey R. McCoy

Charles E. and Paula McCoy of Granite City are announcing the birth of their first child, a daughter, born March 23, 1990, at 6:33 a.m., at Anderson Hospital in Maryville. The infant was named Chelsey Renee and she weighed 8 pounds, 7 ounces.

The mother is the former Paula S. Bills.

Maternal grandparents are Richard and Phyllis Bills of Granite City. Paternal grandparents are Gary McCoy of Granite City and Ina McCoy of Edwards, Pa.

Amanda F. Barton

Mr. and Mrs. Terry L. Barton Sr. of Belleville, formerly of Mitchell, are announcing the birth of their fourth child, a daughter, born Feb. 19, 1990, at Scout Air Force Base. The infant was named Amanda Faith.

The mother is the former Connie Wallace.

SFC Barton is assigned to USTRANSCOM, Scott Air Force Base.

Steve Pilger Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Pilger of Granite City are announcing the birth of their son, Steve Alan Pilger Jr., born at 11:59 p.m., March 21, 1990, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center. The infant weighed 7 pounds, 11 ounces.

The mother is the former

Sheila Angle

Maternal grandparents are Sandy Barnes of Granite City and the late Clyde V. Barnes.

Paternal grandparents are Jack and Shirley Pilger of Granite City.

The couple has another child, Amanda, 16 months.

Zachary G. Rody

Mr. and Mrs. Timothy Rody of Granite City are announcing the birth of their first child, a son, born Feb. 27, 1990, at 5:35 p.m., at Christian Hospital Northwest. The infant was named Zachary Gordon and weighed 7 pounds, 10 ounces.

The mother is the former Roxanna White.

Maternal grandparents are Roberta Breitenstein of Waterloo and Charles White of Granite City. Paternal grandparents are Harold and Wanda Rody of Granite City.

Megan E. Stovall

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Stovall of Granite City are announcing the birth of their daughter, born at St. Elizabeth Medical Center on March 28, 1990. The infant was named Megan Elaine and she weighed 6 pounds, 11 ounces.

The mother is the former Leslie Barnett.

Maternal grandparents are Durrell and Sue Barnett of Granite City. Paternal grandparents are the Rev. Ed and Mary Stovall of Duquoy.

The couple has two other children, Andrea, 9, and Aaron, 5.

Stephanie Worthen

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Worthen of Granite City are announcing the birth of their daughter, born March 30, 1990, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center. The infant was named Stephanie Renee and she weighed 6 pounds.

The mother is the former Katherine R. Dockery.

Maternal grandparents are Edward and Thelma Dockery and paternal grandparents are John and Loretta Worthen, all of Granite City.

Paper galore at March shower

The Ladies Club of Holy Family Catholic Church held its March meeting with 29 in attendance.

President Pat Knollman presided and Cecelia Cruse led the opening prayer. Reports were read and approved.

Several items of business were covered including: Church Women United's upcoming program, "Music, Music"; the tentative date for Crop Walk of April 29 and their target of \$10,000; and cleaning church for Easter on April 9.

Chairman Janet Oberle also discussed the birthday party for Colonnades residents celebrating birthdays in April, set for April 30.

The theme of the meeting, "March Shower," was held to gather donations of personal and paper products for distribution by Catholic Charities to families in need of such articles. The effort will satisfy a real and continuing need, Knollman said.

Quilt-of-the-Month winner was Ray Hadley.

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Christopher Albert Lemp of Granite City celebrated his 11th birthday at the Burger King Restaurant on March 24.

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Also present were James M. and Beverly Lemp, parents of the honoree and Carolyn and Jim Reed.

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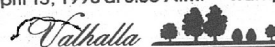
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VOCAL DUET - "Was it a Morning Like This" and "The Lord's Prayer," Rev. Richard and Barbara Glineskatt, First Assembly of God Church

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Leroy's

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"I wasn't in favor of any more meetings if they weren't going to give in," Luesse said in a reference to his right to work behind his meat counter.

Both sides have said Luesse was willing to give his meatcutters a raise of \$1.15 an hour each of the next two years, but balked at a third year, as was agreed to between the local and supermarket chains last year. His meatcutters currently make \$13.04 an

hour. He is also unwilling to make raises retroactive to the date of the contract's expiration.

Meanwhile, 19 clerks at Leroy's have been crossing the meatcutters' picket line. The clerks are members of United Food and Commerce Workers Local 881.

Luesse said the picketing appeared to have some effect on his business, but he said it was too early to tell how much it was costing him.

Obituaries



Anna Weston

Weston

Anna (Thomason) Weston, 87, of Granite City died at 11:55 p.m. Sunday, April 8, 1990, at Colonial Haven Nursing Home, where she had resided for the past four months. She had been ill for three years.

Mrs. Weston was born March 2, 1903, in Stewart County, Tenn., and had lived in Granite City since 1923.

She retired as manager in 1967 from Burdick's Hat Shop, Granite City, where she had worked for 15 years. Mrs. Weston was a founder of the Clark Street Church of Christ in 1929.

Survivors include three daughters, Mrs. Conrad (Sue) Chapman, Cathryn Bailey and Mrs. Walter (Elva Mae) Spiceland, all of Granite City; two sisters, Ruth Largent of Dover, Tenn., and Galtie Lancaster of Murray, Ky.; nine grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

Preceding her in death was her husband, Howard Weston, who died March 4, 1980.

Visitation began at 4 p.m. Tuesday at Mercer Mortuary, 1416 Niedringhaus Ave., where funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. today (Wednesday), with the Rev. Philip Powers officiating. Burial will be at Sunset Hill Memorial Estates near Edwardsville.

The family suggests memorials to the Church of Christ in Granite City.

Zaloga

Frank "Jack" Zaloga, 75, of Granite City died at his home at 6120 p.m. Sunday, April 8, 1990. He had been ill for one year and a Hesjee patient.

Born Sept. 15, 1914, in East St. Louis, he had been a lifelong resident of Granite City. Mr. Zaloga had worked for the Hyman-Mitchell Co. in Alton as a crane operator. He was a member of the Second Baptist Church; and an avid bowler.

Survivors include his wife, Betty (Lizbar) Zaloga, whom he married in 1940; one sister, Mrs. Kazmier (Anna) Okat of Granite City; and several nieces and nephews.

Visitation was held from 5 to 8 p.m. Tuesday at Irwin Chapel, 3960 Maryville Road, where funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. today (Wednesday) with the Rev. Mark Haumschill officiating. Burial will be at Sunset Hill Memorial Estates near Edwardsville.

Roe

Wanda W. (Bousman) Roe, 58, of Granite City, formerly of Portland, Ind., died at 12:10 a.m. Monday, April 9, 1990, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center. She had been ill for many years and in the hospital since March 29.

She was born Jan. 24, 1932, in Pennville, Ind., and had lived in Granite City for 12 years.

Survivors include two sons, Nicholas Ford of Granite City and Charles Allen Ford of Logansport, Ind.; one daughter, Mrs. Gregory (Alberta May) Curtis of Granite

City; one brother, Wayne Bousman of Farmland, Ind.; two sisters, Bernice Gibbings of Tipton, Ind., and Ruth Moser of Dunkirk, Ind.; and four grandchildren.

Preceding her in death were her husbands, Charles Ford and Sidney Roe.

Mrs. Roe's body was donated to Washington University School of Medicine in St. Louis. Arrangements were by Irwin Chapel.



Rose Grba

Grba

Rose M. Grba, 59, of Edwardsville, formerly of Madison, died at 4:53 p.m. Saturday, April 7, 1990, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center. She had been ill for three weeks and in the hospital the same length of time.

Born Nov. 1, 1930, in Madison, she had lived for the past 15 years in Edwardsville. In 1975 she retired from Army Cleaners, Granite City, where she had worked as a clerk. She was a former member of the First Baptist Church in Madison.

Survivors include two brothers, Mike Grba of Affton, Mo., and Robert Grba of Madison; and four sisters, Mary (Louise) Tegel, Diana Shrum and Mrs. William (Betty) Bulva, all of Madison.

Preceding her in death were her parents, Mike and Rosalia Grba.

Visitation was held Monday at Lahey-Sedlack Funeral Home, Madison, where funeral services were conducted Tuesday by the Rev. Nick Popilchak. Burial was at Sunset Hill Memorial Estates near Edwardsville.

Simmons

Eulah (Rose) Simmons, 81, of Granite City died at 12:15 p.m. Saturday, April 7, 1990, at the Madison County Nursing Home in Edwardsville. She had been ill in health for the past 10 years.

Born April 28, 1908, in Winona, Mo., and had lived most of her life in Granite City. Mrs. Simmons had worked as a cook for many years at Granite City Steel and was a member of the Word of Life Church in Madison.

Survivors include three sons, John Ingraham of Madison and Gary Ingraham and Danny Cobb, both of Granite City; two daughters, Mrs. Nelson (Bernadine) Hagnauer of Granite City and Mrs. Charles (Nelda) Reed of Madison; one brother, Ruel Rose of Granite City; two sisters, Glenna Williams of Collinsville and Pearl Deloney of Troy, Ill.; 17 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

Preceding her in death were her husband, Thelwood Simmons, and a daughter, Eunice Porter.

Visitation was held Monday at Irwin Chapel, 3960 Maryville Road, where funeral services were conducted Tuesday by the Rev. Henry Grippen. Burial was at St. John Cemetery in Granite City.

The family suggests memorials to the Madison County Nursing Home.

Graveside services for Pendleton

Graveside services will be held today (Wednesday) at 1 p.m. at Sunset Hill Memorial Estates near Edwardsville for Roy E. "Jasper" Pendleton, 69.

The former Granite City man was found murdered on Feb. 9 in his motel room in Troy, Ill., the victim of a robbery.

Survivors include his sister-in-law, Ernestine Pendleton. His brother, former City Clerk Homer "Cal" Pendleton, died on Feb. 13.

Funeral arrangements for Roy Pendleton were handled by Laughlin Funeral Home in Troy.

Drug war

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Simon also discussed how the Metro-East region can take advantage of its anti-drug measures — those that are already in place and others that will face Senate votes in the next few weeks.

His measures include block grants used by state and local law enforcement officials to plan joint anti-drug strategies and bills that toughen penalties for drug criminals.

Simon mentioned Monday his anti-gang program enacted in 1988. It made grants available to local, state and non-profit organizations.

He said three Illinois programs have already received funding, and encouraged local enforcement officials to draft proposals for grant eligibility.

Collinsville Police Chief David Niebur told Simon there is evidence of gang activity in Collinsville and that he has applied for a grant.

"If you let us know what is going on in Collinsville, we'll see to it that the money goes to you because that's what it is there for," Simon told Niebur.

During the meeting, Simon handed reporters a copy of a letter he sent to the Immigration and Naturalization Service in Washington, D.C., concerning the December deaths of two people in Collinsville in an accident allegedly caused by an illegal alien. One of the victims was a Pontoon Beach man.

Simon said INS did not cooperate with local officials when it was suspected that Jose Ramon Plieitez-Orantes of El Salvador, the driver of a stolen truck which struck and killed Wade Brake of Collinsville and Roland Cox of Pontoon Beach, was an illegal alien.

In his letter, Simon questioned INS procedure and asked that it develop a more efficient and sensitive method to respond and cooperate with local law enforcement officials in the future.

Madison County State's Attorney William Haine praised Simon on his continued commitment to fighting the anti-drug war at a local level.

"Your anti-drug proposals are bringing us into the system and this meeting is just another example of a commitment made by you and the Senate to assist us," Haine said. "We owe you a debt of gratitude."

Troy Police Chief Robert Noonan said Simon's meeting with local officials was significant.

"I think it's great that the senator comes back to Madison County to address the drug problem," Noonan said. "Simon is in tune with problems we are experiencing and it's great to have his support."

Niebur said that although he's aware there is a political race going on, he was "absolutely glad" to see Simon's support for efforts to curb drug abuse in this region.

Steel

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The deductible would be doubled and co-insurance would be reduced from 100 percent to 80 percent, he said.

The proposed insurance, Herzog said, "could wipe a family out" in the event of serious illness. For retirees, he said, the cost of insurance could equal their entire pension checks.

He said employees would wind up paying \$700 a year in premiums.

No negotiations are planned, said Herzog and Jerry Gura, spokesman for the company's corporate headquarters in Chicago.

Gura said the strike had brought production at the company's plants to a standstill. "There's not a whole lot of production going on," he said.

Gura said negotiations continue with the machinists, electricians and patternmakers unions, whose contracts expire within the next few weeks, and hopes to reach an agreement prior to the expiration of the contracts.

Gura said American Steel is continuing to finish work already in progress at all four plants and plans to continue to ship products as they are completed.

Crews

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Simon allowed his agency to continue selling the house as a representative of Transamerica.

A couple of months later, the Broshows signed a second contract and gave Crews a \$1,000 earnest deposit. "We kept them (Transamerica) on their word, and we represented them in the transaction," Crews said.

He said the Broshows then bought the house directly from Transamerica without going through his agency. Crews did not refund the earnest deposit; he said the sales contract states that a deposit is forfeited upon default of contract.

Judy Broshow said she offered Crews \$60,000 cash for the house, but he could not produce the

title. Broshow then bought it directly from Transamerica.

The Broshows are asking for a refund on the earnest deposit because they believe they have a legal right to the refund, Judy Broshow said.

Crews said the agency had an agreement with Transamerica to sell the house to the Broshows for \$52,000, which included the realtors' commission.

"I held the earnest deposit of \$1,000 in an escrow account," Crews said. "Upon the advice of my attorney, I took the funds and transferred them into the general account because we believed we had earned that money as a commission."

The Broshows contacted the DPR, which proceeded to investigate the realty company.

Crews appeared before the DPR board in Springfield, and the board informed Crews that he should have kept the money in escrow until he had written release from the buyer or seller.

Crews said, "I made a business decision under the advice of my lawyer."

The Broshows and Crews Realty are currently in civil litigation. The Broshows are trying to recover their deposit money from Crews.

"It could cost me another thousand dollars," Crews conceded. But, he added, if he wins the case, it will prove that the state was wrong in reprimanding him.

Tips for zero-hour tax filers

By Sylvia Porter

As April 15 fast approaches, great numbers of U.S. citizens are just now gathering their receipts, locating their 1040 forms and adding up their medical deductions.

If you are a "tax procrastinator," take note of the following tips, assembled with the help of tax attorney Robert Nath of Fairfax, Va., a contributing editor to "Sender's Federal Tax Services."

This advice is designed to help you beat or altogether avoid the penalties.

•Plan to file on time, no matter what. Understand that there is a penalty for not filing, and another penalty for not paying money owed.

Generally, the penalty for late

filing is 5 percent per month (up to 25 percent) of the amount owed, 10 times the rate of the late-payment penalty of 10 percent per month.

Rarely are the penalties waived. That means even if you do not have the cash on hand, you need to send in your forms. Remember: The IRS can criminally prosecute non-filers.

•Procrastinators are notorious for losing their forms, and then they panic. There really is no excuse for not having the right form. The Internal Revenue Service has them, as do accountants, tax attorneys, tax preparers and many public libraries.

The IRS accepts photocopies. If worse comes to worse and it's the zero hour, you can write down your tax information on a

piece of paper, including your income, deductions and the amount owed, and mail that to the IRS with an explanation.

Sending something is better than sending nothing. The IRS likes to hear from you.

•Last-minute filers frequently end up estimating their income or deductions. The IRS does not like to hear you say, "Well, I made about \$20,000 last year." They will penalize you for that.

When you estimate something, you should disclose that on your return, because the disclosure may lessen or even eliminate your eventual penalty.

•Whether or not you mail at the last minute, at least prepare your return several days in advance. When you rush, you will likely make mistakes.

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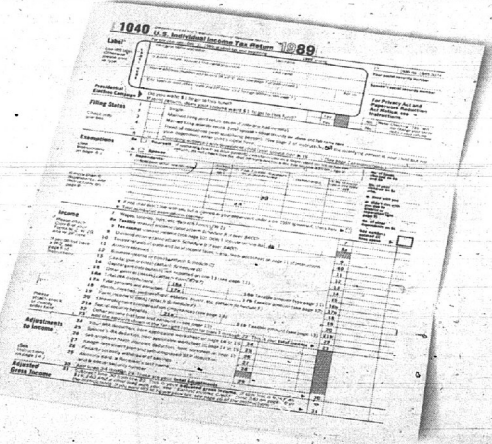
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Fuel tax, road projects increasing

Total Motor Fuel Tax Fund revenues have increased 93.5 percent since 1980 in Illinois, rising from \$434 million in fiscal year 1980 to \$840 million in FY89, according to State Comptroller Roland W. Burris' monthly financial report.

The revenue growth has been due largely to increases in the gasoline tax since the 7.5 cent-a-gallon figure in fiscal 1980. The rates were increased, successively, to 11 cents, 12 cents and 13 cents.

Two additional increases in fiscal 1990 have brought the gasoline tax to the current 19-cents-per-gallon rate. At the same time, the federal tax on gasoline has gone up from 4 cents to 9 cents a gallon in the last decade.

Motor fuel tax expenditures in Illinois have increased in tandem with the tax hikes, Burris' report shows. Expenditures of \$839 million in FY89 were double the figure of \$417 million for FY80.

Motor fuel tax monies include revenue from the gasoline tax,

paid into the Motor Fuel Tax Fund, and transfers from the General Revenue Fund equal to 2 1/2 percent of sales tax receipts. The revenue is used to maintain and improve 137,000 miles of roads and 25,000 highway bridges in Illinois, which has the third-largest road network in the country.

Besides funding the improvement of state highways, Motor Fuel revenues are used to assist local governments with their road programs. State aid accounts for almost one-third of local government road revenues.

Revenues from the Motor Fuel Fund used for state highway improvements are deposited in the Road Funds, which also receive federal highway assistance and money from drivers' and vehicle license fees.

Road Funds revenues of \$1.653 billion in FY89 were \$220 million, or 45.9 percent, greater than revenues of \$1.133 billion in FY80. Burris' report indicates that revenue growth was concentrated between FY82 and FY86 when

revenues grew 57 percent, due largely to tax increases.

Expenditures from the Road Funds totaled \$1.540 billion in FY89, \$392 million or 34.1 percent greater than spending of \$1.148 billion in FY80. Between 1980 and 1985, spending increased by nearly 35 percent, but it has held steady over the last four fiscal years. This has been due in part to an increase in the Road Funds balance from \$119 million at the end of FY85 to a record \$465 million at the end of FY89.

Another source of money for roads is obtained through sale of general obligation bonds.

As of June 30, 1989, \$1.737 billion in general obligation bonding authority had been authorized for highway construction purposes by the General Assembly. This authorization has been increased by \$1 billion in FY90.

Between FY72 and FY89, \$1.697 billion was spent from general obligation bond sale receipts for highway construction.

Smoking restricted at most companies with office staffs

More than half (55.8 percent) of the Illinois firms with office staffs responding restrict smoking at their facility, according to the Management Association of Illinois' Personnel Practices Survey.

Of that 55.8 percent, 7.7 percent do not allow smoking anywhere, and 48.1 percent restrict smoking to certain areas for reasons other than safety.

One fourth (25.1 percent) of the firms apply the smoking policy to visitors, and 86.9 percent apply it to all employees.

Only one-fifth (21.2 percent) firms have a written termination policy for workers not complying.

Finally, if an employee wishes to quit smoking cigarettes, half (47.8 percent) of their companies

will pay the full cost of a smoking cessation program.

The Personnel Practices Survey represents responses from nearly 400 Illinois firms.

The survey indicates trends in personnel policies and benefits. Results are divided into six major categories: Pay Practices; Working Conditions; Health and Welfare Benefits; Recruitment, Training and Development; Employee/Community Relations; and Labor Relations.

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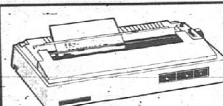
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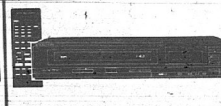
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By Bill Hunot
Social Security Administration

Q. My mother applied for Supplemental Security Income (SSI) and was denied because she owns some farm land in another state. I want her to sign the land over to me so she can start getting SSI. Will that work?

A. No, it won't. If your mother gives away an asset or resource to qualify for SSI, Social Security still will consider that asset as hers for two years after she disposes of it. The same rule applies if she sells the land to you for less than it's really worth. This is designed to prevent people from giving away assets to get around SSI regulations. Exceptions to the two-year rule are made only in cases of extreme hardship.

If your mother wants to sell the land for a fair market price she might qualify for interim SSI payments while she is waiting for the property to sell. Call 800-234-5772 for more details.

Q. I will be 62 years old in a couple of years. I wrote to Mississippi, where I was born, to get a birth certificate and they told me that my birth is not on record. They also sent me an application for a delayed birth certificate. Do I have to get a delayed birth certificate to get my Social Security?

A. Most states will offer to register your birth if you are able to find you on their records. The document issued is called a delayed birth certificate.

Don't have your birth registered now just to establish your age for Social Security purposes. A delayed birth registration filed close to retirement age doesn't have much value as evidence. Also, it will cost you a few dollars to process. And other documents can be used to prove your age.

For example, religious records registered before age 8, like baptismal records or cradle rolls, are used as birth certificates for Social Security purposes.

If no birth certificate or religious record is available, Social Security can help you obtain other documents to prove your age. School, census, military and marriage records are good sources of evidence.

Q. What should I do when an employee loses his copy of his W-2 and asks me for another one? Also, I can't locate one of my former employees that I should give a W-2 to in January. What do I do with the employee copies?

A. If an employee loses his W-2 give him another copy of his W-2 marked "reissued statement." But don't send Social Security another copy.

If you are unable to locate a former employee you should keep copies of the employee's W-2 for four years. Be sure to send Copy A of the employee's W-2 to Social Security.

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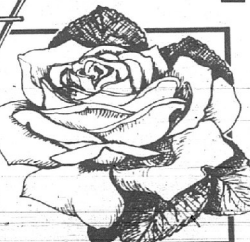
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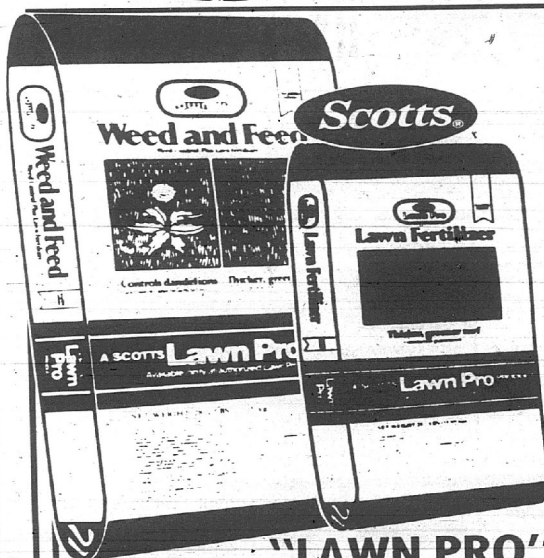
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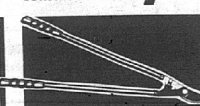
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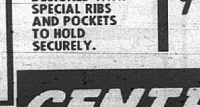
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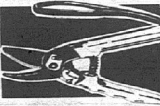
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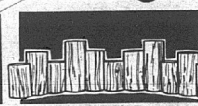
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Abenroth chosen for flight program

Grant Abenroth, 19, a sophomore student at Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, has been selected for the aviation flight program beginning the fall.

The program is designed to instruct the student in the different phases of piloting with the end result being a commercial pilot's license.

Academic credentials used by the selection committee for acceptance are: overall college grade-point average of 3.3 and an ACT composite score of 25.

Abenroth is completing the requirements for his private pilot's license and after completion he will be working on his commercial basic.

By being accepted into the aviation flight program, he will graduate in two more years with a bachelor's degree in aviation management and an associate degree in aviation flight.

A 1989 GCHS graduate, his parents are Ron and Norma Abenroth of Granite City.

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Graduation at Parks

Leonard L. Griggs Jr., assistant administrator for airports for the Federal Aviation Administration, addressed winter trimester graduates at Parks College of St. Louis University on Monday.

Ceremonies were held in the Alumni Student Center at the Parks College campus in Cahokia. The Rev. Lawrence Biondi, S.J., president of St. Louis University, conferred degrees and certificates on about 100 students.

Area graduates at Parks include: Mark Milton of Granite City; Ronald L. Smith and Richard McDermott, both of Cahokia; Mark Dahle-Melsaether of O'Fallon, Ill.; and Tyler Lee Kisor of Columbia, Ill.

Griggs was the director of Lambert-St. Louis International

Airport from 1977 to 1987. He received the FAA's Outstanding Airport Director Award in 1984.

He joined the FAA last January and is responsible for the agency's \$1.4 billion Airport Aid Program, as well as various airport safety and technical programs.

Griggs, a graduate of the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, served with the U.S. Air Force from 1954 to 1977, retiring with the rank of colonel.

The guest speaker earned a master's degree in aeronautical engineering from the Air Force Institute of Technology and a second master's degree in international affairs from George Washington University. He is a graduate of both the Naval and Army War Colleges.



ELECTROLAB: Chris Riley of Granite City, at right, explains the working of the electrolab refrigeration system unit board to a group of students at the Granite City Campus of Belleville Area College. The students are, from left, Rick Robbins, Carl Anderson and James Collins, all of Granite City.

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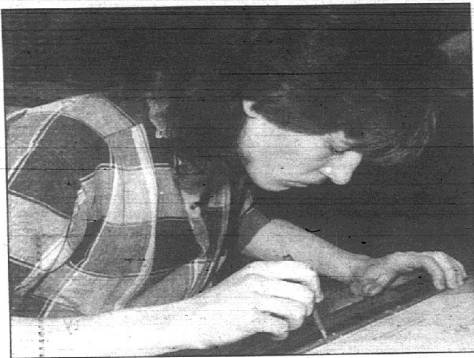
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A FINE LINE: Shane McKeal of Granite City works on a project during the Illinois Drafting Educators Association regional contest held recently at Belleville Area College. McKeal competed in the mechanical drafting area.

GCHS students receive awards for drafting skills

Forty-two students from eight area high schools recently participated in the Illinois Drafting Educators Association contest held at the Belleville Campus of Belleville Area College.

Shane McKeal and Bob Lipchik, students at Granite City High School, both won first place awards.

Students demonstrated skills in four different areas, computer aided drafting (CAD), mechanical, architectural, and introductory drafting.

Schools participating in the competition were Belleville Township West, Cahokia, Collinsville, Columbia, Freeburg, Granite City, Highland, Red Bud and Collinsville Vocational Center.

"In past years, students from the BAC regional competition have done well when they advanced to competition at the state level," said John Jacobs, coordinator of the drafting technology program at BAC and of the competition.

"This speaks very well for the quality of the drafting programs at the local high schools," he said.

Engineers and architects from area firms and instructors from BAC's drafting department judged the work of the students.

Winners received drafting supplies and are eligible for state competition to be held April 7 at the University of Illinois at Champaign.

David F. Maxwell makes dean's list

TERRE HAUTE, IND. — David F. Maxwell, a junior student, majoring in civil engineering, of Granite City, has been named to the dean's list for the winter quarter of the academic year at Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology.

Maxwell was among 414 undergraduate students who earned at least a 3.3 grade-point average (on a 4.0 scale), according to Jess K. Lucas, vice president for student affairs.

Rose-Hulman has an enrollment of 1,300 students. One of five students enrolled in the institute ranked in the top three positions of his graduating high school class and the median Rose-Hulman student ranked in the 95th percentile of his high school class.

On dean's list at Monmouth College

MONMOUTH — Local students are among 154 students named to the Monmouth College dean's list or honor roll for the spring term.

To be named to the dean's list a student must achieve at least a 3.666 grade-point average on a four-point scale, while carrying a full-course load.

Dean's list includes: Jennifer Ridlen, a sophomore mathematics major. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Ridlen of Granite City; and Stacy Stoyanoff, a junior biology major and the son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Stoyanoff.

Honor roll includes: Susan Murphy, a sophomore synoptic major and the daughter of Bill Murphy and Mary Anne Murphy.

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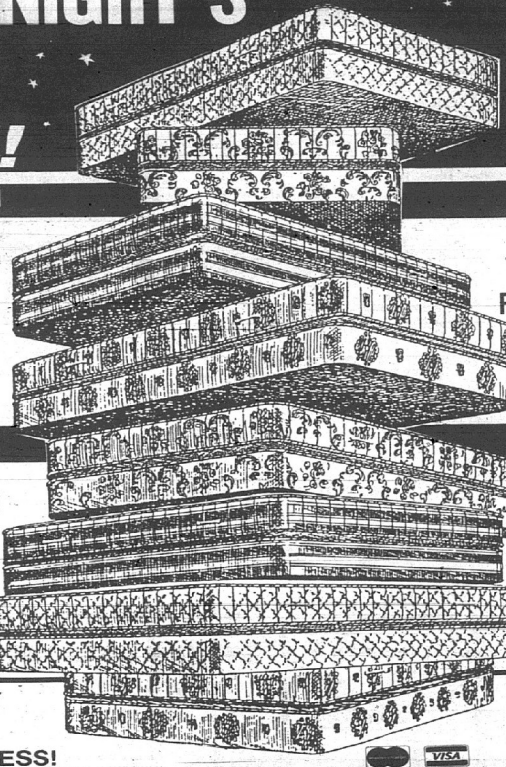
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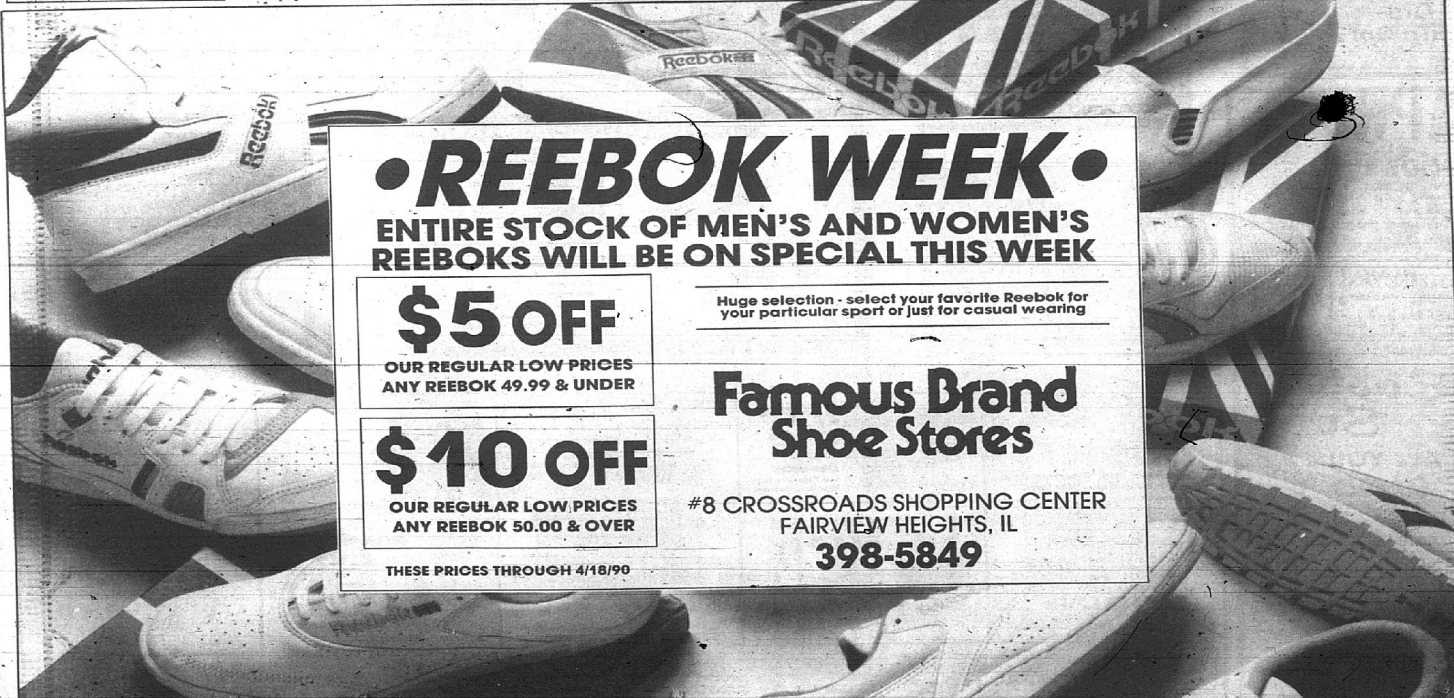
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Entertainment

Kline answers call of both stage, film

By Harry Hamm
Staff writer

You only have to travel as far as Town and Country in west St. Louis County to find the place actor Kevin Kline first got the inkling he was destined to become an actor.

"It was my senior year in high school at the Priory in 1965," Kline said. "I had always thought I wanted to be a musician, but I had it in the back of my head when I did a school play that acting was really fun."

"I felt very still. It was very quiet on stage for me. And I felt very comfortable there. My friends were all vomiting in the wings."

Kline then went to Indiana University to study to become a concert pianist.

"I took an acting class and then went to observe an audition for 'Macbeth' because the teacher thought we should all see what an audition looked like," Kline said. "Then they forced us all to audition and I had no idea what I was doing, so I just got up and used my lowest voice and tried to sound Shakespearean and I got the part. It was a small role, but once I had done the play I was getting more and more hooked and by my second year in music school I knew this was what I wanted to do."

In his first film since his Academy Award-winning performance in the comedy "A Fish Called Wanda" from 1988, Kline plays Joey Boca, an amorous pizza store owner whose love life is as spicy as any of his toppings—so much so that when his wife, played by Tracey Ullman, finds about one particular affair, she sets out to murder him. The film, based on a true story, is aptly titled "I Love You to Death."

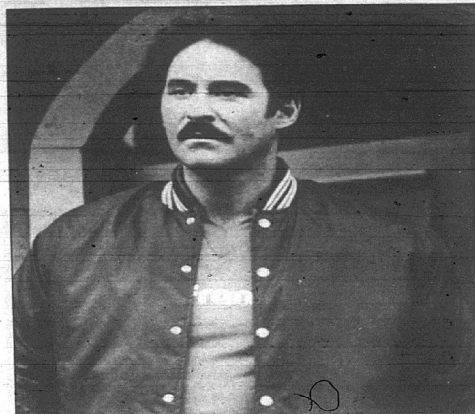
Kline, 42, currently is both directing and starring in a production of "Hamlet" at the Public Theater in New York.

"It calls on more energy than I ever dreamed of," Kline said of pulling double duty. "As an actor in a play, you take a 16-minute break and go have a coffee and relax. The director never has a break from nine in the morning until 10 at night."

Kline said he will continue to try to balance his film and stage work.

"It's not that there are better roles on stage or better roles for me in films," said Kline, who lives in New York City with his wife, actress Phoebe Cates. "It's just that one can afford to work off-Broadway if one makes films."

"But I don't do films just to subsidize the theater. I choose films that have some meaning for me, that I consider a challenge or that I know will stimulate me as an actor."



KEVIN KLINE is a man whose zest for life almost gets him murdered when his wife finds out he's been making love to every woman he can in "I Love You to Death." In his own life, Kline continues to appear in Shakespearean plays, but now he is directing too.

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Cable companies know they've got upper hand

Cable television systems enjoy a virtual monopoly. They are free to raise their rates without interference from any regulating authority, because there is none.

And while politicians can fume about the situation, there isn't much anyone can do short of passing federal legislation.

First, a little history: When municipalities in the St. Louis area began issuing franchises to cable television operators in the early 1980s, the rate the cable companies wanted to charge had to be approved by those governmental authorities. But the passage of deregulation legislation by Congress in 1984 took away that right.

Since then rates have gone up a lot. For example, Tele-Communications Inc., which serves St. Louis city, will raise its basic cable rate to subscribers 20 percent on June 1 and will tack on a \$2.10 monthly charge for a converter-box, which used to be free. That means a monthly bump of more than 20 percent. The monthly cable fee will be more than double what it was in 1986.

The only restraint on cable companies is the customer's willingness to pay.

Now, nowhere is it written that people need cable television to survive. Customers obviously are free to give it up at any time, and then they won't have to pay those rates any more. In fact, I know a few folks who had cable installed and later dropped the service.

But I don't know many people like that. Most of us get spoiled pretty easily. John Brooks, vice president for public relations at Cencom Cable, which serves a big chunk of St. Louis County in Missouri and Madison County in Illinois, said price increases always are accompanied by service improvement or added channels. He points to the addition of the American Movie Classics channel, as part of the basic service in conjunction with Cencom's rate increase of approximately 10 percent April 1.

In the first couple of days of



Ian MacBryde

Cencom's new rate-structure, there was no evidence that people were dropping the service, Brooks said. And he said there were no complaints.

Cencom serves about 53 percent of the homes in its service area.

But—and it's a big "but"—Brooks estimates that the realistic potential of the market is only about 60 percent of the homes. That means that Cencom already has enrolled most of the subscribers it can hope to get. Other cable systems find themselves in similar situations.

So, the time for grand-opening specials is long past. Now the companies are free to raise their rates as much as they like until they begin to get customer resistance. It's the American way.

As Brooks points out, cable is in competition with movies, videos and various other things for the entertainment dollar. He compares cable systems to the baseball Cardinals and the hockey Blues. If cable rates go too high, he suggests, people won't go elsewhere for their entertainment.

Could be. But, until that starts to happen, the operators can find out just what the traffic will bear.

There is one other point that should be understood by voters. Politicians will view all this as a ripoff. And some of them will mean it. But you should know the various municipalities are getting their cut. The standard arrangement that allowed the cable companies to operate is that they give 5 percent off the top to the licensing authority. Ian MacBryde is an independent video producer and former television executive.

Brass performers to go for baroque

Belleville Area College has just the concert for people who go for baroque. Or dixieland jazz.

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Journal FOOD

Lunching

By Janice Denham
Journal Food Editor

Lunch isn't what it used to be. It's better.

Gone are the days of three martini lunches. Here come lunches with sparkling water or, at the least, water with a twist of fresh lemon. The admonishment to "eat your fruit and finish your vegetables" is a delicious admonition.

The delight of eating the minimum daily suggestion of five fruits and vegetables at a single sitting makes wonderful sense at lunch. The table brims with lettuce and all kinds of salad ingredients.

The dark ages when grapes and peaches did not have a winter season have been abolished through the courtesy of arborers and orchards in the Southern Hemisphere. Just as spring erupts with its tender flowers, it also holds fresh spinach and peas ready to pass through wet and cold clay. Winter in California and southern states burst with pride over their ruby strawberries, local berries begin their precious journey to produce fruit in neighborly gardens.

Snacking on fruits and vegetables is freshness at its finest. Hungry snackers cannot avoid a colorful nectarine, plum or pear in a fruit basket. Dried fruits like apricots, peaches, pineapple and prunes provide variety when fresh ones are at an ebb. Fruit that will ripen after being picked will be ready to eat faster if kept at room temperature in a brown paper bag.

Fresh vegetables cut and ready to serve from the refrigerator help put lunch on the table in a jiffy. Keep cut fruits and vegetables in a plastic bag to avoid air contact. They can be eaten fresh on the side, mixed in salad or sautéed. Everything from backyard asparagus to center-lawn dandelion finds its way to the lunch table this time of year.

The Missouri Bankers Association kept this in mind when it put together "Celebrate," its centennial cookbook. The book is a combination of six cookbooks, each chapter including a variety of recipes instead of segregating them by use.

Bill Ratliff of the state bankers' office said the organization wanted to do more than "wish each other a happy 100th birthday and it's over in an hour and a half. The cookbook turned out to be one of the things that would be more enduring.

With the wives of former association presidents at the helm, the project received about 3,000 recipes for possible publication. The committee narrowed the selection to fit on 300 pages.

They start with Missouri styled foods — in a nifty using fresh fruits, vegetables and other products — and move to lighter foods, men's culinary interests, special-occasion recipes and finally selections from chefs. The book contains recipe after recipe and a few serving ideas instead of individual reference to authors.

Last month one of the banks had a potluck dinner down in Branson. Ratliff said "They each brought a dish made from a recipe in the book. So they found out 55 dishes are really delicious."

Money from book sales will pay St. Louis artist L. Edward Fisher for three murals to hang in the Missouri State Information Center being built in Jefferson City. Each oil painting depicts a view of the Missouri River from the same location in 1804, 1904 and 2004. The first mural is finished, the second will be ready for the bankers' convention in St. Louis in June and the final one will be started during the year 2003.

Anyone wishing to enjoy more than our preview of Strawberry Spinach Salad, Fresh Rhubarb Pie, Mustard-Sauced Asparagus, Waldorf Nouvelle Salad and Spring Mint Pea Soup may order a cookbook for \$15 plus \$1.00 postage and (for Missouri residents) \$1.06 tax by sending check or money order to: "Celebrate," Missouri Bankers Association, P.O. Box 1338, Jefferson City, Mo. 65102. The book is available locally at Mercantile Bank, Eighth and Locust, the Mercantile facility at Gravois and Lindbergh, and St. John's Bank and Trust, 8924 St. Charles Rock Road.

Veggies, Fruit Make Meal A Healthy One



PEACHY OAT MUFFINS

- 2 cups whole wheat flour
- 1 cup uncooked oats
- 1/2 cup wheat bran
- 1/2 cup packed brown sugar
- 1 1/2 tsp. baking soda
- 1 tsp. salt
- 2 eggs
- 1 1/2 cups buttermilk
- 1/2 cup oil
- 3 fresh peaches, finely chopped, or 2 cups chopped fresh peaches, nectarines or plums
- 3 tsp. orange zest*
- 1 1/2 tsp. cinnamon

Combine flour, oats, bran, brown sugar, baking soda, salt, eggs, buttermilk, oil, peaches, orange zest and cinnamon in mixing bowl. Stir until blended. Spoon batter into 2 1/2-inch nonstick muffin cups. Bake in 400° oven 20 minutes or until pick inserted in center comes out dry. Serve warm. Makes about 20 muffins.

WALDORF NOUVELLE SALAD

- 1 red delicious apple, cored, chopped
- 1 golden delicious or granny smith apple, cored, chopped
- 1/2 cup seedless raisins
- 1/2 cup golden raisins
- 1/2 cup chopped celery
- 1/2 cup cubed cheddar cheese
- 1/2 cup chopped macadamia nuts
- Juice of 1 orange
- 1 cup (8 oz.) vanilla yogurt
- Cinnamon

In medium bowl, combine red and golden apples, seedless and golden raisins, celery, cheese and nuts.

Blend orange juice into yogurt. Pour over salad. Toss well. Sprinkle cinnamon on top. Yields 8 servings.

STRAWBERRY SPINACH SALAD

- 2 bunches fresh spinach, washed, dried
- 1 pt. fresh strawberries, halved
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 2 tsp. sesame seed
- 1 tsp. poppy seed
- 1 1/2 tsp. minced onion
- 1/4 tsp. Worcestershire sauce
- 1/4 tsp. paprika
- 1/2 cup oil
- 1/4 cup cider vinegar

Place sugar, sesame seed, poppy seed, onion, Worcestershire sauce and paprika in blender. With blender running, add vinegar and oil in slow, steady stream until thoroughly mixed and thickened. Dressing may be made ahead and refrigerated.

Drizzle dressing over strawberries and spinach on individual plates or mix together thoroughly in large salad bowl. Serve immediately. Makes 6 to 8 servings.

SPRING MINT PEA SOUP

- 2 1/2 to 3 cups fresh peas or 2 pkg. (10 oz. each) frozen peas
- 3/4 cup water
- 1/2 tsp. salt
- 2 cups chicken broth
- 3 to 4 drops (or more) pepper sauce
- 2 cups dairy sour cream
- Paprika
- Sprigs of fresh mint

Combine peas, water and salt in saucepan. Bring to boil. Simmer, covered, 15 minutes. Allow to cool slightly. Puree in blender or food processor. Add broth and pepper sauce. Process until smooth. Chill.

To serve, stir in 1 cup sour cream. Ladle into soup bowls. Top soup with dollop of sour cream. Sprinkle lightly with paprika and garnish with sprig of mint. Note: Plain low-fat yogurt may be substituted for sour cream. Yields 6 servings.

FRESH RHUBARB PIE

- 3 cups fresh rhubarb, diced
- 3 cups diced bread crumbs
- 3 eggs
- 2 cups sugar
- 1 (9 inch) unbaked pie shell
- 4 tbsp. butter

Mix rhubarb, bread crumbs, eggs and sugar until rhubarb and bread crumbs are well coated with sugar and eggs. Place mixture in pie shell. Top with butter. Bake in 375° oven 30 minutes or until brown. Yields 8 servings.

MUSTARD-SAUCE ASPARAGUS

- 1 lb. fresh asparagus
- 2 hard-cooked eggs
- 1/2 cup dairy sour cream
- 1/2 cup mayonnaise
- 1 tsp. dry mustard
- 1 tsp. finely chopped green onion
- 1 1/2 tsp. vinegar
- 1/4 tsp. salt

Steam asparagus until tender-crisp. Combine sour cream, mayonnaise, dry mustard, onion, vinegar and salt. Pour over asparagus. Grate eggs over all. Note: Mustard sauce can be refrigerated and served over other vegetables. Yields 4 servings.

It's Easter! Festive holiday buffet springs ham and eggs in new fashion

To make Easter entertaining a breeze, plan a festive buffet. Especially suited to the carefree spirit of the season, a buffet makes both cook and guests feel comfortable. All foods are served at once and guests are free to help themselves.

When choosing a menu, remember the main centerpiece on the table is the food. Glazed Ham and Vegetable Strata are a perfect example of a winning buffet pair. Spotlighting two time-honored favorites, ham and eggs, it provides both make-ahead and microwave cooking convenience.

Choose boneless, fully cooked, smoked ham. Half a ham provides four to five three-ounce cooked servings per pound. A boneless ham is leaner, has little fat and makes carving a cinch. Vegetable Strata is full of seasonal favorites like asparagus and sweet bell peppers and is assembled ahead. It bakes conventionally while the ham heats — in the microwave, if desired — to its flavorful best.

For true simplicity, set the serving table with a basket of colorful tulips or daffodils and a few decorated Easter eggs.

Glazed ham

- 3 lb. boneless, fully-cooked, smoked ham half
- 1/2 cup apricot preserves
- 1 tsp. horseradish mustard

Place ham on rack in open roasting pan. Insert roast meat thermometer so bulb is centered in thickest part. Do not add water. Do not cover.

Roast in 325° oven until thermometer registers 130° to 140°, allowing about 18 to 25 minutes per pound. Combine preserves and mustard. Spread over ham 20 minutes before end of cooking time.

Vegetable strata

- 1/2 lb. trimmed fresh asparagus, cut to 1 inch pieces
- 1 medium red bell pepper,

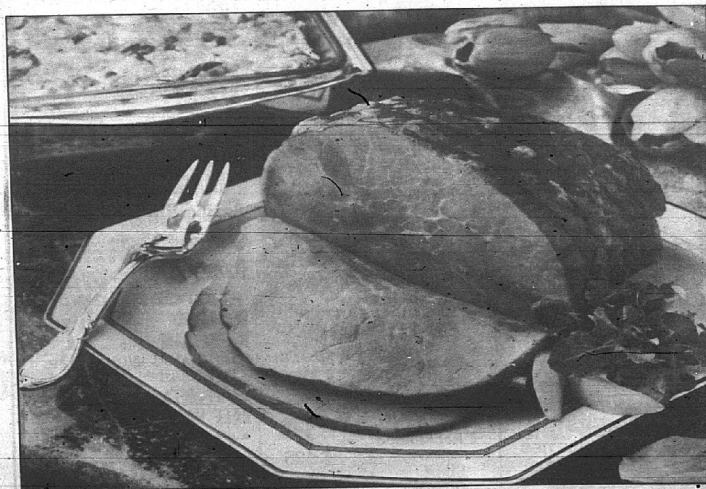
- chopped
- 1 tsp. butter
- 1 small onion, chopped
- 6 cups (1 1/2 inch cubes) Vienna or French bread
- 2 cups (8 oz.) shredded Swiss cheese
- 2 cups milk
- 4 eggs, beaten
- 1/2 tsp. paprika
- 1/4 tsp. salt

Over medium-high heat, in butter cook and stir asparagus and bell pepper 2 minutes. Add onion. Cook 1 minute or until vegetables are tender-crisp.

Lightly grease bottom and sides of 12-by-8 inch baking dish. Place half the bread cubes in dish. Top with half vegetable mixture and half cheese. Repeat layers.

Combine milk, eggs, paprika and salt. Carefully pour over layers. Refrigerate, covered, 12 to 24 hours.

Bake in 350° oven 50 to 55 minutes until center is set and top is golden brown. Makes 8 servings.



A DELICIOUS FEAST is easy to prepare when Glazed Ham with Vegetable Strata is spotlighted on a glorious buffet table.

Add to festive holiday; serve honey bunny bread

In festive shapes and bright colors, Easter breads are traditional in countries as diverse as Norway, Great Britain, Switzerland and Brazil. An all-American symbol of Easter, the bunny, can spring to life in the kitchen with fresh-from-the-oven Honey and Spice Bunny, decorated with red licorice whiskers and jellybean eyes.

Honey and spice bunny

- 1 pkg. (16 oz.) hot roll mix
- 1 tsp. cinnamon
- 1 tsp. ginger
- 1 tsp. nutmeg
- 1/2 cup hot water (120° to 130°)
- 1/4 cup plus 1 tbsp. honey
- 6 tbsps. margarine or butter, softened
- 1 egg
- 1 1/2 cups confectioner's sugar
- 2 to 3 tbsps. milk
- Jellybeans or gumdrops
- String licorice

Grease cookie sheet.

In large bowl, combine yeast from foil packet, cinnamon, ginger and nutmeg with flour mixture. Blend well. Stir in water, 1/4 cup honey, 2 tablespoons margarine and egg until dough pulls away from sides of bowl.

Turn dough onto floured surface. With greased or floured hands, shape dough into ball. Knead dough 5 minutes until smooth. Cover with large bowl. Let rest 5 minutes.

On lightly greased surface, shape dough into 20-inch rope. Cut 5-inch piece from end to use for bunny's tummy and fold. To form bunny, fold rope in half and twist ends together twice. Place on greased cookie sheet. Spread ends to form ears; pinch tips of ears into points, tipping one to the side for a floppy ear. For bunny's body, shape

bottom half into small circle. To form bunny's tummy, shape two-thirds of reserved dough into ball; place in circle opening. To form tail, shape remaining dough into small ball; place to left of bottom circle.

Cover loosely with plastic wrap and cloth towel. Let rise 30 to 40 minutes on wire rack set over large pan of hot water.

Uncover dough. Bake 18 to 25 minutes in preheated 350° oven until golden brown.

In small bowl, combine 2 tablespoons margarine and 1 tablespoon honey. Brush over bunny immediately after removing from oven. Return to oven. Bake 3 minutes more. Remove from cookie sheet. Cool completely.

In small bowl, combine confectioner's sugar, 2 tablespoons margarine and milk. Blend until smooth. Frost center of bunny's ears, face, tummy and tail. Decorate with jellybeans and licorice to make face. Serve with Honey Butter.

Makes 16 servings.

Honey Butter: In small bowl, blend 1/4 cup butter, softened, and 1/4 cup honey until well mixed. Makes 1/2 cup.



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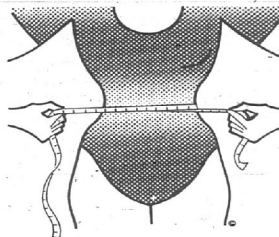
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Snackers pop a corn treat that explodes with flavor

By Betty Serati
Microwave specialist

Today's society is looking for a snack that is moderately high in dietary fiber, contains protein, minerals and vitamins and no cholesterol, is low in sugar, is easy to prepare and tastes delicious. If this sounds like the snack has not been invented yet, think again. It is popcorn.

Before sitting back and munching contentedly, let some information pop up about it. Since the microwave oven was born, people have tried to pop corn in it. Some people tried doing it in a paper bag. This, however, is a fire hazard. Kernels get so hot they can set the bag on fire.

Including a cup of water in the oven while popping results in a very low volume of popped corn because the water attracts the microwaves—and there still is the fire hazard from the bag. Glass containers have been known to shatter and plastic containers melt with this procedure.

The microwave popcorn container—the most popular cone-shaped and made from high-density plastic to withstand high heat—keeps unpopped kernels close so the small amount of moisture in them will attract the microwaves. The corn pops in about four minutes from the narrow bottom into the larger top area, but usually results in a large amount of unpopped corn.

To maximize popping, store corn in the freezer or soak unpopped corn in water. It has an air-popped flavor, is plain and dry in flavor and is healthy with only 69 calories per 3-cup serving with no fat.

This snack also is economical. Depending on the brand, 1/2 cup unpopped corn will produce seven to nine cups popped corn. For instance, TV Time at 60 cents per pound produces 7 cups, Pops-Rite at 70 cents per pound produces 8 cups and Orville Redenbacher at a cost of \$1.50 per pound makes 9 cups.

The other safe way to pop corn in a microwave is to use bags of corn sized and prepared for microwave preparation. They come in a wide variety of flavors, from savory to sweet.

Interestingly, many contain the same calorie and fat content for natural and butter flavors, and some actually have lower calories and fat in the butter flavors.

Microwave popcorn in individual bags are more convenient and almost always taste better than corn from a microwave popper. However, it is much higher in cost and its higher calorie and fat content takes it out of the "healthy" category. In eight butter-flavored microwave brands—Orville Redenbacher, Orville Redenbacher Light, Pop-Secret, Pop-Secret Light, Pops-Rite, Jolly Time, Planters and Newman's Own—the following generalizations can be made:

•Popping time is about 4 minutes per bag. Overpopping, with resultant scorching, occurs quickly. Some corn remains unpopped.

•High wattage (over 500 watts) microwave ovens produce the best results.

•Raising the bag of popcorn off the floor of an oven using an inverted microwave-safe glass—not paper or plastic—plate will increase the popped volume.

•None of the popcorn tested produces the volume promised on the box, which ranges from 9 cups to 14 cups. Generally, it's 3 to 5 cups less.

•Price ranges from \$3.03 to \$4 per pound.

•The light popcorns tested contain considerably less fat and calories than the others. Orville Redenbacher Light contains 50 calories and 18 percent fat, while Pop-Secret Light contains 39 percent fat and 70 calories per 3-cup serving. The regular varieties range from 80 calories with 56 percent fat to 140 calories with 50 percent fat per 3-cup serving.

•None of the popcorns—even those that were more than half fat—feel or taste greasy, so the amount of fat is deceptive. The results of this popcorn test are in. The microwave oven has made popular snack food truly convenient. It can be a truly healthy treat, but if watching fat in the diet, carefully check the ready-packaged varieties for content and then use moderation when snacking.

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Easy tuna casserole

1 can (10 1/2 oz.) cream of celery soup
1 cup milk
1 can (7 oz.) can tuna, drained, flaked
1 cup frozen peas, thawed, drained
1 cup crushed potato chips
1 tsp. prepared horseradish

In medium bowl, combine soup and milk. Blend well. Stir in tuna, peas, 1/2 cup chips and horseradish.

Spoon into lightly greased 1-quart casserole. Sprinkle with remaining chips.

Bake 30 to 35 minutes at 350° until hot.

Makes 4 servings.

Chocolate fudge marzipan squares

1 (8 oz.) can almond paste
1 cup sweetened condensed milk
1 1/2 cups semisweet chocolate chips
1/2 tsp. shortening
36 whole toasted almonds

In small bowl, mash almond paste into small pieces. Add 1/2 cup sweetened condensed milk. Beat well. Chill until mixture is stiff, about 15 minutes. Press marzipan layer in foil-lined 8-inch square pan.

Over hot, not boiling, water, combine 1 cup chocolate chips and 1/2 cup sweetened condensed milk. Stir until morsels are melted and mixture is smooth. Pour over marzipan layer. Chill thoroughly. Invert on board. Remove foil.

Over hot, not boiling, water, combine 1/2 cup chocolate chips and shortening. Stir until morsels are melted and mixture is smooth. Transfer to cup.

Dip each almond halfway into melted chocolate. Place on marzipan layer in six rows of 6 almonds each. Chill until set, about 1 hour. Cut in 36 squares. Store in airtight container in refrigerator. Makes 36 squares.

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Gradually change eating habit for diet success

By Jacqueline Lanfear
Registered Dietitian
American Heart Association

Choosing to change eating patterns on your own for improved health is one thing. It is quite another when a physician orders the change.

This scenario is typical among individuals with sky-high blood cholesterol levels. Initially, a doctor's order can upset a patient, especially when the reality of such a diet means three meals a day, 365 days a year, beginning immediately. Armed with a list of foods to avoid, the patient senses that life never will be the same.

Success is largely dependent on attitude. A positive attitude coupled with gradual dietary and lifestyle changes are essential for adherence to a new eating plan.

Practical help is available in a new cookbook, the American Heart Association "Low-Fat, Low-Cholesterol Cookbook," edited by Dr. Scott Grundy. The book is designed specifically for individuals who need or want to lower blood cholesterol. Dr. Grundy is director of the Center for Human Nutrition at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center.

The cookbook features 200 good-tasting, easy to prepare recipes for busy Americans.

Chickenwich

- 4 halves boneless chicken breasts (about 4 oz. each), skinned, visible fat removed
- 4 slices (about 4 oz.) part-skim mozzarella cheese
- 4 slices (about 4 oz.) ham, visible fat removed
- 3 tbsp. whole wheat or all-purpose flour
- 1 tsp. dry mustard
- 1/2 tsp. paprika
- 2 tsp. olive oil

Place chicken breasts, smooth-side up, between two sheets of plastic wrap. Using meat mallet or rolling pin, pound chicken to twice its original diameter.

Fold each slice of cheese in half and place it on a slice of ham. Fold ham over cheese to form packet about half as big as piece of chicken. Place one packet on top of each chicken piece. Fold chicken in half over ham packet to enclose it.

Mix flour, mustard and paprika. Dip chicken in mixture, tapping lightly to remove excess. In nonstick skillet, heat oil over medium heat. When oil is hot, saute chicken on each side 4 or 5 minutes, then saute edges with seam about 20 seconds to seal.

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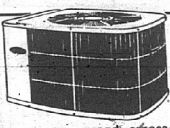
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combine peanut butter chips, butter and sweetened condensed milk. Microwave on high power 1½ minutes. Stir until mixture is smooth and well blended. Microwave at high a few more seconds, only if necessary, to melt chips.

Four mixture onto prepared cookie sheet. Spread or pat mixture to 13-by-11 inch rectangle. Cool slightly. Smooth surface with rolling pin. Chill about 45 minutes or until firm.

Peel off waxed paper. Place candy layer on cutting board.

Cut in desired shapes with cookie cutters. Allow trimmings to come to room temperature. Re-roll and chill until firm.

In small microwave-safe bowl, microwave chocolate chips and shortening at high power 1 minute. Stir until smooth and blended. Spread with spatula or drizzle onto cut-outs. Chill until set. Store, covered, in refrigerator. Makes about 24 candies.

In medium microwave-safe bowl, microwave chocolate chips, butter and shortening at high power 1 minute. Stir until smooth. Microwave up to 30 seconds more at high, if necessary, until chocolate is melted and smooth when stirred. Stir in marshmallows and nuts.

Spoon into prepared cups. Garnish as desired. Chill.

Makes about 24 candies. Peanutty Chocolate Swirls: Reverse chips. Use 1 cup peanut butter chips with 1 tablespoon shortening and ½ cup semisweet chips with 1 teaspoon shortening.

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1 pkg. (12 oz.) peanut butter chips

- 3 tbs. butter or margarine
- 1 can (14 oz.) sweetened condensed milk (not evaporated)
- 1 cup semisweet chocolate chips
- 1 tbs. shortening

Cover large cookie sheet with waxed paper. In large microwave-safe bowl,

Rocky road cups

- 1 cup semisweet chocolate chips
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Sports

Schardan's 1-hitter keys sweep

By Mike Kelly
Staff writer

GRANITE CITY — The Warriors continued their winning ways on Monday by sweeping a double-header from Washington, 1-0 and 14-5, at Varsity Field.

Pitching was the name of the game for Granite City (9-1) as four different hurlers limited Washington (1-7) to only three earned runs and 11 hits. Rich Schardan turned in the most impressive performance of the day.

The senior righthander, who only threw a couple of innings last year on the varsity level, threw a one-hit shutout against the Panthers in the first game.

The only hit was an infield hit by leadoff hitter Marcus Jarboe in the first inning. He beat out a slow roller.

"Rich should have had the no-hitter," said catcher Joe Wallace. "Jay (Robertson, the shortstop) just laid back on the ball and (Jarboe) beat it out. I guess he didn't realize how quick the runner was. Schardan had all of

his pitches working."

The outing was a far cry from Schardan's first performance against CBC, which saw him yield six runs in just over two innings of work. The Panthers only made solid contact on him a couple of times. Otherwise, he was in complete control, striking out six and not walking anyone.

"I felt real good today," said Schardan. "It was totally different from my first outing. I was too nervous in that game and I changed some things. Instead of pitching my normal game, I started overpowering the ball and I was pushing to ball to the plate. But today I felt very relaxed and I didn't let the errors bother me (the Warriors made three). I would have liked the no-hitter, but that's the way things go sometimes."

"And who knows? Had the no-hitter been intact going into the late innings, I might have started thinking about it and probably would have lost it anyway. I'm just happy with the win."

"I think Rich has finally made up his mind to pitch this season," said Granite City coach Bob Stegemeier. "He put together some good numbers on the mound in his sophomore year, but he struggled when we brought him up to the varsity. And I think that affected his confidence last year because he was more interested in playing shortstop. He didn't want the ball when his opportunity came to take the mound."

After Andy Segneri reached on an error in the second inning, Schardan retired 11 in a row. That streak was broken in the seventh when Jason Smith got on with an error. But Schardan shook it off and retired the next two hitters to pick up the victory.

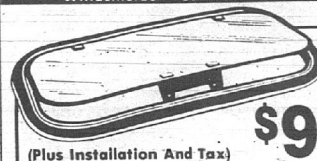
"I'm not an overpowering pitcher and I'm not going to pile up the strikeouts," said Schardan. "But I have the confidence in myself and in my pitches to get the job done every time I take the mound. I enjoy pitching because it's a lot like playing shortstop (his normal position). Pitching is a position of leadership."

"That kid was in complete control," said Washington coach Bob Bretzman. "We hit the ball fairly well on him in the first two innings, but after that the guy was in complete command. He threw the ball with a great amount of consistency, especially the breaking ball. And that's not easy to do at the high school level. He did a good job of keeping

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Lenzi, Rees score in win over O'Fallon

By Dave Whaley
Executive sports editor

O'FALLON — It was like waiting for a time bomb to go off.

The fuse got shorter and shorter until the Lady Warrior soccer team finally detonated in the final 20 minutes Monday for a 2-0 win over O'Fallon.

Addie Lenzi and Tia Rees scored late goals as Granite City notched its second straight 2-0 win over the Panthers. The Lady Warriors have bounced back from a season-opening 4-0 loss to Oakville (Mo.) for a 2-1 record heading into a couple of big early-season tests this week.

Granite City plays at Alton on Thursday evening before traveling to Collinsville to square off with the Lady Kahoks at 1 p.m. Saturday. Those three teams form a Bermuda Triangle for the other girls teams in southern Illinois, and one of them figures to represent the area in the state tournament.

"It's a good win when you consider 2-0 at our place and then 2-0 here," said Granite City coach Gene Baker. "But it took us a while to get going."

The Lady Warriors held a definite territorial edge in the first half, but didn't have many good scoring chances. Things began to pick up a little more in the second half, and the pressure began in earnest at the 54:00 mark.

Junior Angela Biasop had a good shot that goalie Alyson Taylor knocked away, then Jennifer Moniz had another bullet that Taylor was able to knock over the crossbar three minutes later.

Off the restart, Julie Dempsey hit the crossbar and the dam was about to break. Still, it took a bit of a break for the Lady Warriors to get the first goal. Biasop sent the ball forward on the left side and the ball took a big bounce over the last O'Fallon defender 40 yards from the goal.

Lenzi got behind everyone and had a breakaway. She calmly moved in and from 10 yards out beat Taylor with a nice shot to the lower left corner at the 62:00 mark.

"Addie in many ways is our most talented player," said Baker. "But she's a little frail and is very tentative at times. She and Angela probably have the most skills of any of our players, but Addie has the advantage in quickness. Angela has those long strides."

There were only a couple of anxious moments at the other end as sophomore Leslie Stavelay picked up the shutout. She stayed in until Rees scored the clincher with just four minutes left.

Freshman Tammy Dutko chased a crossing pass towards the right corner and slid a pass-out to Rees. Taylor was partially screened by one of her defenders and Rees' shot to the far corner wrapped it up.

Both Rapoff replaced Stavelay at that point as Granite City coasted to the victory. The Lady Warriors outshot O'Fallon 23-4.

"Dutko is a good-looking freshman," said Baker. "And I thought Julie Goclan (another freshman) came in and had a very good game. We're still without some of our players because of Easter vacation."



(Staff photo by Pam Deepke)
MIA PUHSE pitched well enough to win Monday, but the Lady Warrior softball team lost for the third time in four games this season, a 5-1 loss at Edwardsville. More on the game is on Page 3D.



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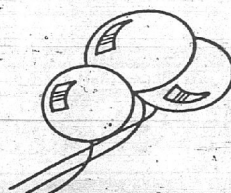


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Flyers dominate Belleville Invitational

By Dave Jefferson

BELEVILLE — The name's been changed, but the results remained the same Saturday afternoon at the Belleville West Invitational Track and Field meet at the Belleville East High School track.

The track and field team from East St. Louis Senior High successfully defended their title and gave notice to their competition in what was known for almost four decades as the Mineral Area meet by blowing away the 23-team field by almost 60 points.

The Flyers, who are rated along with Rock Island and Evanston as one of the state's top squads in 1990, captured eight first-place finishes in the 19-event meet.

Granite City finished tied for 12th place with Cahokia (16 points), and Madison failed to score. Junior Dan Brazee was fourth in the high jump (6-4), senior Frank Vivod was third in the shot put (50) and sophomore Larry Curry was fourth in the discus (149-0).

Flyer head coach John Davis was surprised by his team's dominating performance.

"We've been running pretty decent," he said. "But we thought the competition would be a little bit better. These guys are kind of cool today and everybody's kind of holding back. You've got (ACT) tests involved so everybody is not out here that missed a lot of points. We had some people who didn't make it because of that, too."

"Sprints and then in the field (are our strengths)," he said. "Our triple jumpers and long jumpers are pretty decent and our sprint teams are pretty good."

He added that the middle distances could be the only thing to hold the Flyers back.

"We're young there and we never want to think in terms of rebuilding, but the guys are pretty young," he said. "They'll hopefully come around the middle part of the season and probably do something for us at state."

The Flyers outdistanced the field by scoring 143 points. Cross-town rival East St. Louis Lincoln was a distant second with 84 points.

The Alton Redbirds finished third with 71½ points and St. Louis Hazelwood Central was fourth with 56. Decatur MacArthur finished fifth with 53½ points while there was a tie for sixth between Springfield Southeast and Edwardsville with 52 apiece.

East St. Louis' Anthony Kerby and Andre Murphy placed first and second in the 100 meter dash in 13.9 and 11.1, respectively. East Side also got first in the 400 and 800 meter relay, the 1600 meter relay and second and third in the 400 meter dash.

The Flyers did just as well in the field events. Senior Dana Howard, an all-state linebacker for the Flyer football team bound for the University of Illinois on a football scholarship, won the shot with a put of 59.5.

Howard also brought home points with third-place throw in the discus of 151-1. East Side's

Jermaine Brown won the broad jump with a jump of 22-5½. The Flyers showed their depth by placing second and third in the triple jump as well.

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Team Scores
1. East St. Louis 143; 2. East St. Louis Lincoln 84; 3. Alton 71.5; 4. Hazelwood Central 56; 5. Decatur MacArthur 53.5; 6. St. Louis Hazelwood Central 52; 7. Madison 52; 8. Mount Vernon 28; 9. Belleville East 21; 11. Freeburg 20; 12. (tie) Granite City and Cahokia 16; 14. (tie) MacArthur 12; 15. O'Fallon 10; 16. Massacoutch 9; 17. Weascon 6; 18. Lebanon 4; 19. The Highland and Shawnee Gardens 3; 21. Belleville West 2; 22. Madison, Breese Central and Collinsville did not score.

INDIVIDUAL RESULTS:
100-Yd. Dash (ESL) 11.1; 2. Murphy (ESL) 11.3; 3. Parrish (BS) 11.4; 4. Brown (A) 11.5; 5. Sanders (A) 11.6; 6. Satter (MV) 11.7; 7. Fanner (ESL) 11.7; 200-Yd. Dash (ESL) 22.2; 2. Anderson (BSL) 22.3; 3. Crumpton (HS) 22.6; 4. Smith (GC) 23; 5. Sumter (MCA) 23.2; 6. Sotokowski (BS) 23.3; 7. Anderson (A) 23.3.

400-Yd. Dash (SSS) 50.4; 2. DeAndre (ESL) 50.5; 3. Puley (ESL) 50.7; 4. Austin (SSS) 51.8; 5. Fontelle (DM) 51.9; 6. Sanders (BSL) 52.1; 8. Tind (Janner) Decatur MacArthur 52.3; 9. Wetzel (MCA) 52.4; 800-Yd. Dash (LH) 1:58.2; 2. Reed (HS) 1:58.3; 3. Rankin (W) 2:01.8; 4. Hombberger (E) 2:02.3; 5. Rhoden (LH) 2:02.3; 6. Jones (HS) 2:04.3; 7. Dismukes (W) 2:05.0; 8. Scott (HS) 2:05.8.

1600-Yd. Dash (LH) 4:24.4; 2. Jackson (LH) 4:24.5; 3. Kell (E) 4:27.4; 4. Lacy (E) 4:27.7; 5. Gregory (CM) 4:31; 6. Williams (PFE) 4:41.8; 1 Mile (MV) 4:54.7; 2. Bailey (CM) 4:54.7; 3. Lacey (LH) 4:54.7; 4. Gregory (CM) 4:54.7; 5. Williams (PFE) 4:54.7; 6. Bailey (CM) 4:54.7; 7. Lacey (LH) 4:54.7; 8. Gregory (CM) 4:54.7; 9. Williams (PFE) 4:54.7; 10. Bailey (CM) 4:54.7; 11. Lacey (LH) 4:54.7; 12. Gregory (CM) 4:54.7; 13. Williams (PFE) 4:54.7; 14. Bailey (CM) 4:54.7; 15. Lacey (LH) 4:54.7; 16. Gregory (CM) 4:54.7; 17. Williams (PFE) 4:54.7; 18. Bailey (CM) 4:54.7; 19. Lacey (LH) 4:54.7; 20. Gregory (CM) 4:54.7; 21. Williams (PFE) 4:54.7; 22. Bailey (CM) 4:54.7; 23. Lacey (LH) 4:54.7; 24. Gregory (CM) 4:54.7; 25. Williams (PFE) 4:54.7; 26. Bailey (CM) 4:54.7; 27. Lacey (LH) 4:54.7; 28. Gregory (CM) 4:54.7; 29. Williams (PFE) 4:54.7; 30. Bailey (CM) 4:54.7; 31. Lacey (LH) 4:54.7; 32. Gregory (CM) 4:54.7; 33. Williams (PFE) 4:54.7; 34. Bailey (CM) 4:54.7; 35. Lacey (LH) 4:54.7; 36. 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Lady Warrior softball team falls to 1-3 with 5-1 defeat

By Brian Henry

EDWARDSVILLE — The Lady Warrior softball team fell to 1-3 with a 5-1 loss to the Edwardsville Tigers on Monday.

Granite City missed some scoring chances against winning pitcher Elaine Onley, whom Lady Warrior coach John Hutchings said was "hittable."

"We didn't execute when we needed to," said Hutchings. "Mia (Pulse) pitched well enough to win. We just didn't hit at the right time. We made a couple of mistakes like overthrows and getting picked off which proved costly in the end."

The Lady Warriors took a 1-0 lead in the first when Lori Diller got a bunt single and scored on catcher Michelle Bequette's triple. Bequette was stranded at

third and Granite City missed other opportunities.

Julie Bailey was at third with one out in the third and didn't score. Tiffany Winters was out trying to stretch a single into a double in the fourth. And Diller was out at the plate trying to score on Priscilla Meyenburg's hit in the fifth.

Pulse pitched the entire game, but Edwardsville scratched together enough offense to win.

"If we'd have had (Jennifer) Cavness and (Kim) Pawlak, we probably could have pulled it out," said Hutchings. "They (Edwardsville) were like Wood River. They were beatable."

Cavness was expected to be back for Tuesday's game against Belleville East. She has been on basketball recruiting visits.



SUNDAY YOUTH ADULT winners included, front row left to right, Abbie Supp, Joey Byrd, Theresa Dames, Tammy Mendenhall and Joshua Wonders; middle row, Chris Barnes, Albert Supp, Noel Byrd and Darla Bauer; back row, Luther Barnes, Mike Dames, Robert Brooksher and Daniel Dover. Not pictured are Cher Mannino, Bud Mannino and Brenda Mendenhall.

Sunday Youth Adult winners announced at Bowland Lanes

Bowland Lanes has announced the winners of the Sunday Youth Adult League.

Taking first place was Team 6 (Luther Barnes, Chris Barnes, Albert Supp and Abbie Supp). Luther Barnes also received High Average of 191, and Albert Supp received Most Improved at plus 7.

Placing second was the Bad Starters (Joey Byrd, Noel Byrd, Theresa Dames and Mike Dames). Theresa Dames received Most Improved Bowler at plus 10. Mike Dames received

the High Game Award for a 235 game.

High averages went to Robert Brooksher with a 181, Tammy Mendenhall with a 153 and Brenda Mendenhall with a 159. High Series went to Joshua Wonders with a 596, Darla Bauer with a 594, Debbie Cundiff with a 516 and Bud Mannino with a 602. High game went to Daniel Dover with a 229 and Cher Mannino with a 200. Most Improved awards went to Dover with a plus 14 and Cher Mannino with a plus 3.

Baseball

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ing our hitters off balance.

"But I always felt we were in the game, especially with a 1-0 score. Unfortunately, we couldn't get the big hit we needed."

The Warriors scored the only run they needed in the fourth, and Schardan scored it. He led off with a bunt. Smith, the losing pitcher, fielded the ball cleanly, but his throw sailed down the right field line, allowing Schardan to reach second base. Schardan stole third and scored on Mike Mueller's sacrifice fly to left field.

The Warriors bats weren't so silent in the second game as

they erupted for 14 runs on only seven hits. Washington didn't help its situation by committing seven errors. Granite City broke the game open by scoring seven runs — five of which were unearned — in the second inning.

Leading 9-0, the Warriors sealed the verdict with four more runs in the third. The game should have been over in five innings, but the Warriors broke down defensively in the fifth and surrendered five runs. Mike Nordstrom pitched the first three innings to get the win, with Chris Sturdivant and Chris Hill finishing up.

Monday's games were make-ups of the season-opening double-header which was snowed out March 24.

Arlington open Tuesday, Friday

For the first time in its 27-year history, Arlington Golf Course will be open to the public on Tuesdays and Fridays only.

This may help alleviate some of the public course congestion. Arlington is a championship-type course playing 6,400 to 7,000 yards. There is a large practice range, two putting greens and a swimming pool open to the public.

The cost for 18 holes is \$13. Riding carts are \$15 and pull carts are \$2. Players must call ahead for tee times.

Arlington Golf Course is on Arlington Drive off Horseshoe Lake Road between Granite City and Collinsville. For more information, call 931-5232.

National Steel softball meeting set for Thursday

A meeting for teams entered in softball leagues at the National Steel recreational facility will be held April 12 at 7 p.m. in the Madison Recreation Center.

Teams may pick up schedules plus all rosters, waivers and any unpaid entry fees are due at this meeting. League play begins April 23. For more information, call Mike Kmetz at 876-8371.

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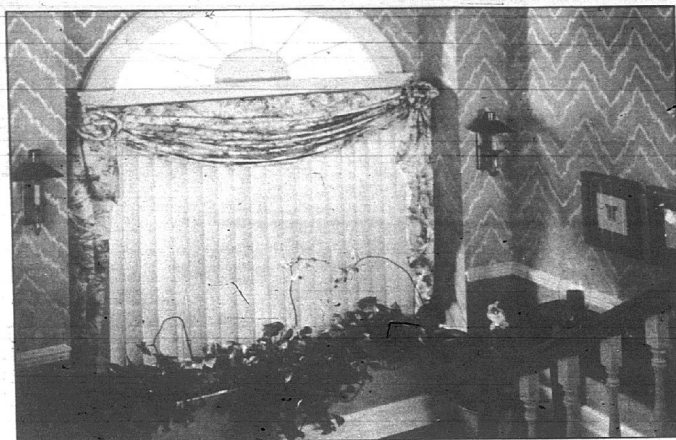
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Home improvement booklets suggest ideas for outdoors

Booklets on home improvement products and projects are offered by many companies. The ones listed below offer ideas for the outdoors. The literature is free except where a price is listed.

"Factory-assembled Grills": Charming Industries Inc., 500 S. Madison, DuQuoin, Ill. 62832.
 "Light Up Your Landscape": Send \$2 to American Lighting Association, 435 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago, Ill. 60611.
 "Posts, Poles, Easy Anchoring With Sakrete Concrete Mix": American Stone-Mix Inc., 8320

Bellona Ave., Towson, Md. 21204.
 "Sakrete: Fast-Set High Strength Concrete": American Stone-Mix Inc., 8320 Bellona Ave., Towson, Md. 21204.

"Swimming Pools," a 38-page color booklet: Fox Pool Corp., P.O. Box 549, York, Pa. 17405.
 "Exterior Wood Treatment Procedures": DAP Inc., Dept. 1123, P.O. Box 277, Dayton, Ohio 45401.

"TopDeck Redwood Decking": Send a quarter to Simpson Timber Co., P.O. Box 1169, Arcata, Calif. 95521.

Arbor Day looks to future

By Timothy W. Gamma

Arbor Day is an observance dedicated to trees, to their beauty and usefulness, and to their preservation. The broad goal is conservation. Arbor Day draws attention to the importance of maintaining and protecting at least certain portions of our great natural forest and woodlands.

In Illinois, Arbor Day 1990 will be April 27. Homeowners should take pride in their trees, and recognize all that they give — beauty, shade, added property value and help in purifying the air. Unlike most things in life, trees continue to yield more benefits as time goes by. The founder of Arbor Day, J. Sterling Morton, once wrote, "Other holidays repose upon the past — Arbor Day proposes for the future."

Now more than ever, one can see the importance of planting trees. Billions of tons of hazardous pollutants are emitted annually into the air by industries. The threat of global warming due to the mass destruction of trees worldwide is a threat to the environment as we know it.

Arbor Day reminds Americans to contribute, in their own ways, to the planting and maintenance

of trees in the United States. A national campaign is now under way to plant 100 million trees across America by the end of 1990. Homeowners are encouraged to dig in and plant trees.

Trees vary in size and shape. When making your selection, it is important to consider location, purpose, space limitations and aesthetic value. The key is planting the right tree in the right place.

Small trees such as redbuds, star magnolia, dogwood, Japanese maple, Bradford pear, certain crab apple varieties and others, are excellent ornamentals to plant where a large shade tree is not needed or is impractical.

Those who need more shade or have room for a large tree should consider ones that have strong wood, few insect and disease problems, and that do not have messy fruit.

Desirable shade trees that do well in the St. Louis area include sugar maple, Norway maple, red maple, pin oak, red oak, white oak, black gum, river birch, Linden and ginkgo.

Evergreen trees that can provide screening and privacy while adding beauty and texture to the landscape include junipers, hollies, Eastern white pine, hemlock, Colorado spruce and Colorado blue spruce.

Research the tree and its variety before planting to make sure it is right for your space.

Arbor Day is not only for planting trees, but also for becoming aware of the care needed to preserve existing ones. Throughout the year, trees should be checked for dead limbs, broken limbs and insect and disease problems. Established trees also can benefit from mulching and watering during dry periods.

The contributions of trees are priceless. Make plans now to plant a tree or help out an existing one on Arbor Day.

And, celebrate the day with your children or grandchildren. They will learn the importance of trees and see their value grow for years to come.

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Hardy spring bulbs are some of the most colorful plants in the garden among the earliest to flower. The season begins in February with snowdrops and winter aconites to be followed by crocus, scillas and chionodoxas in March and daffodils, hyacinth and tulips a little later. The spring flower show started early this year with above normal temperatures in March pushing the early April performers ahead of schedule by about 2 to 3 weeks.

There are many ways to use bulbs to highlight the landscape. Whether in a perennial border, rock garden, ivy or solid bulb bed followed by annuals, the effect of bulbs can be spectacular. One interesting way to use daffodils and get double use out of the space is to plant them in a bed of lily turf (Liriope sp.). In late winter, before the daffodil leaves emerge, the lily turf is mowed or clipped to a height of 4-5 inches to open the bed to the warm rays of sunlight. Soon the bulbs will send up leaves well beyond the clipped lily turf, and flower stalks emerge. As soil begins to warm in spring, the lily turf will initiate active growth and provide a nesting background for the floral display.

It is preferable to fertilize at or before bloom time, but if you must, it, apply fertilizer lightly at the rate of one pound of 5-10-5 per 100 square feet of bed or about one tablespoon per plant. This promotes bulb development that will provide next year's flower show.



Once your bulbs have bloomed, there is still the question of when to cut back the foliage and spent blooms. Removing the seed pods after flowering will have a positive effect upon new bulb formation. On the other hand, removing the leaves prematurely does not. It seems to be commonplace for people to bend the tops over and band the leaves together. This should be avoided as it reduces the ability for these leaves to photosynthesize and form the energy reserves necessary to develop large bulbs and ultimately next year's crop. Cut the foliage back only when signs of yellowing appear. Daffodils are more sensitive to premature leaf removal than tulips. Generally, tulips can be cut back in mid-June while daffodils often take a month longer. Cut to the ground level in either case and compost the leaf material.

Bulbs generally flower very well in the first year. Older clumps that have become overgrown will produce small flowers. Tulips often fit this pattern. If you have noticed a real decline, it may be better to discard them and start over. Daffodils can go several to many years without much concern. In either case, the remedy is to dig the clumps of bulbs, separate the clumps and replant. This can be done just after the foliage turns yellow or up through October. Alternatively, the crowded clumps can be divided and stored in a cool, dry place until fall. When replanting, select only the larger bulbs. Smaller ones may not flower in the first year after planting.

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